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AS NAT LOUBET SEES IT

THERE is little immediate hope for the passage of an act by Congress creating Federal control of boxing. The effort to set up a Federal czar of the ring has been in action for a considerable time and nothing has been accomplished.

It seems to me that having failed in a direct thrust at Washington control of boxing, we should shift our campaign to create government control from boxing to all of the professional sports.

There are growing reasons for legislation to control baseball, basketball, football and hockey as well as boxing.

The rapid growth of closed circuit television in all of the professional sports argues strongly for legislation to protect the owners of the air, the families at home.

There is no reason why the air should be surrendered to closed circuit promoters who take complete possession of telecasts which bar the general populace except on payment of fees well beyond the financial abilities of many home viewers.

The control of sports should take care of performers who need pension protection.

There is serious need for protecting hundreds of retired boxers. Many of them are completely minus resources. Many should be in hospitals. Many are more or less active even though they are unfit for the ring.

The National Sports Alliance, based in New York, is doing what it can to help the sick and indigent veterans. But its sources of income have been well nigh abolished.

There is serious need for help from all boxing promotions. It has been argued that the average boxer has a comparatively brief career; that he wanders all over the country—yes, all over the world—and needs the law to look after his welfare, his health, his earning power or lack of it.

In major league baseball we are told that there is a well established pension system which takes care of a retired player after ten years of service, for full benefits, and five years, as well, in establishing life-long benefits.

The attitude of the current major leaguer toward the players who left baseball before present pension systems were established, has been shameful.

I am familiar with the plight of one of the greatest pitchers of all time, who has to go on relief, being minus a pension. It won't be long now before we are confronted with cases of impaired health and indigence in basketball and hockey.

Many men are giving the best years of their lives to baseball, hockey and basketball, who in not too long a time will be looking for help. Proper Federal control of sports is the best possible solution to much of professional sports problems. Don't look for the young, physically able to take care of the future. Most of them do not have the foresight.

In the case of boxing, Federal control is needed for many purposes other than those connected with pensions.

The United States—yes, the world at large—needs protection from a sorry category of fighters known as stiffs.

These men are of a type without boxing histories of any value.

These fighters are foisted on the public with the connivance of unscrupulous managers and promoters.

Many a stiff is exported to Europe and other parts of the world. Foreign fans are attracted to the prospect of cheering a national representative at the expense of an American.

Said an agent who handles such wares in New York, "Many foreign promoters want only stiffs, an easy win for their man. I am in business to supply what is wanted."

We need Federal control to bar the stiffs for their own good.

We need Federal control to stop promoters from using the air without thought of the public.

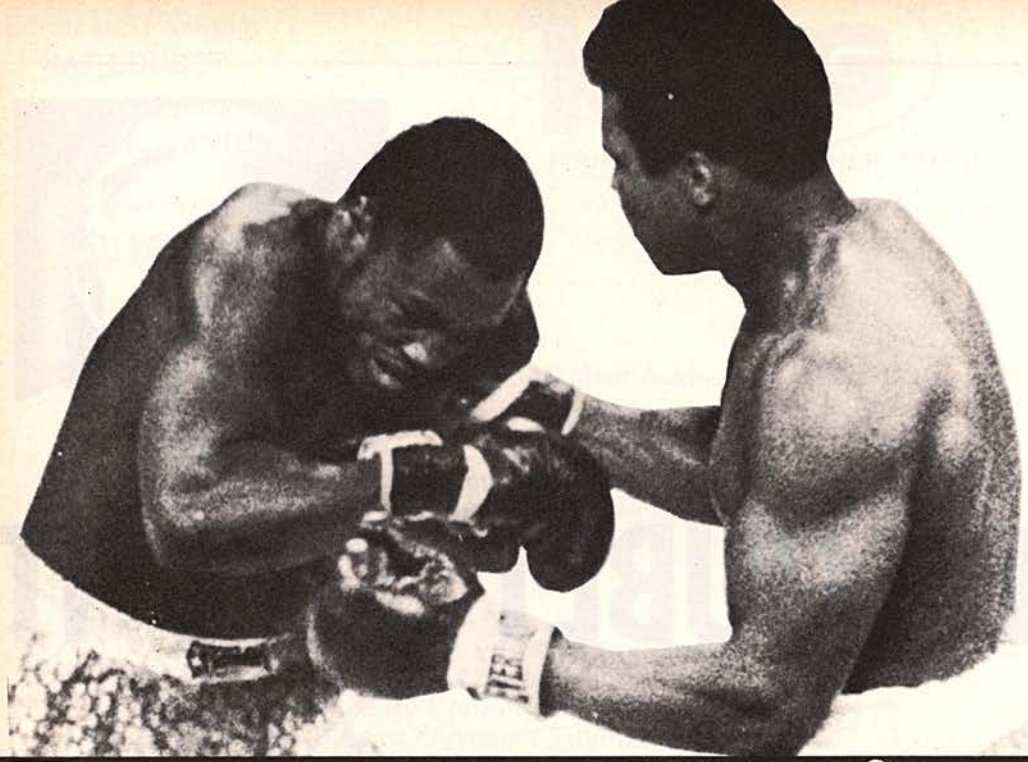
We need Federal control to control use of the air while promoters of the different sports black out local viewers.

We need Federal control to protect the public from general mishandling.

Professional sports are growing along with an increase in leisure time.

Let us protect our professional sports from gamblers and unscrupulous hands.

Let us protect those who compete and those who look on.



Muhammad Ali connects with a short right to the jaw of Joe Frazier in the third round of their first meeting back in March, 1971.

Foreman Waits While Joe-Ali Meet Again

By DAN DANIEL

IT would appear that the world's heavyweight situation is hopelessly stagnant. But it soon will explode.

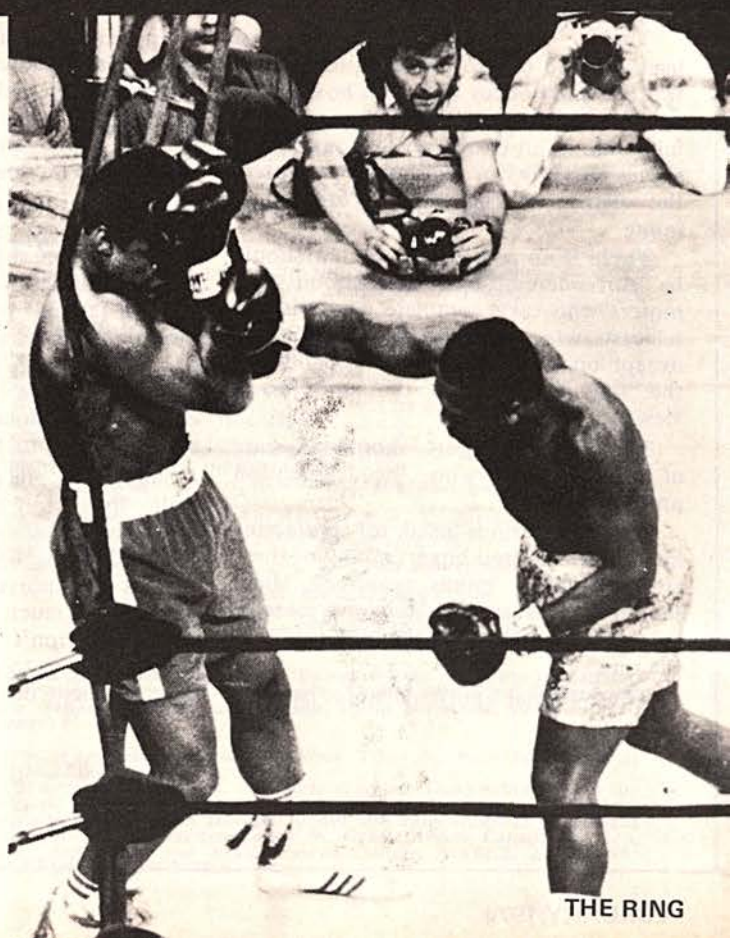
It would seem that the leaders are rich and lazy. That is, all except George Foreman, champion of the world, who should be in the best position but keeps sitting it out.

As George admits, he is in a bad way for cash. Since he won the title from Joe Frazier at Kingston, Jamaica, on January 22, 1973, he has had one fight, so called, with Jose Roman in Tokyo, Japan, and promoters galore are after him to sign up for action, at fancy prices.

But Foreman is worse off than any other top echelon heavyweight since Jack Johnson.

The million dollars George was to have received for the one-round affair in Japan has been held up on court writs originating in Philadelphia, which non-American impresarios need not pay any attention to.

The reason for Foreman's possible poverty, in the face of his remarkable potential, traces to the reported sale of "pieces" of the champion to American investors. There are too many of these fistic capitalists. There aren't enough "pieces" to go around, not enough to give George enough money for his efforts in a title-risking fight.



Frazier pounds away at Ali during the fourth round of the bout won by Frazier via a unanimous decision.

The situation traces to Dick Sadler's failure to provide against the future while Foreman was developing into what turned out to be the foremost heavyweight contender.

Sadler needed eating money and he was restrained from risking George's chances for the kind of cash he was being offered by promoters.

On his way to the title, Foreman did not look impressive. In fact, many experts still are not overwrought by George's style in spite of the six knockdowns Foreman achieved when he demolished Joe Frazier at Kingston.

The men who purchased "pieces" of Foreman from Sadler will have to get together and accept lower cuts of George's future income, or see him barred from fighting in the United States by court orders.

Some promoters say that if the owners of those "pieces" do not reapportion those shares he will not be able to defend the title in this country.

In the face of this situation comes an edict from the World Boxing Association demanding that Foreman defend the title against Ali, Frazier, Norton or Jerry Quarry.

This demand is a useless threat. No organization in the world is in a position to enforce it. Heavyweight champions are not ordered around.

However, we have here a strange situation. Foreman is threatened by the WBA, and in the face of his inactivity there is an offer to the titleholder of a million dollars to fight Quarry in Madison Square Garden in New York. This appears to support the suspicion that George is barred from accepting Teddy Brenner's bid by those court orders.

Foreman has had another million dollar offer, to fight Joe Bugner in London.

Andy Smith, Bugner's manager, says the offer to fight Foreman comes at the wrong time. He adds that Bugner has had five fights this year and that Ali and Frazier were among his opponents.

Smith insists that Bugner must rest for some time into the new year, and Smith is right.

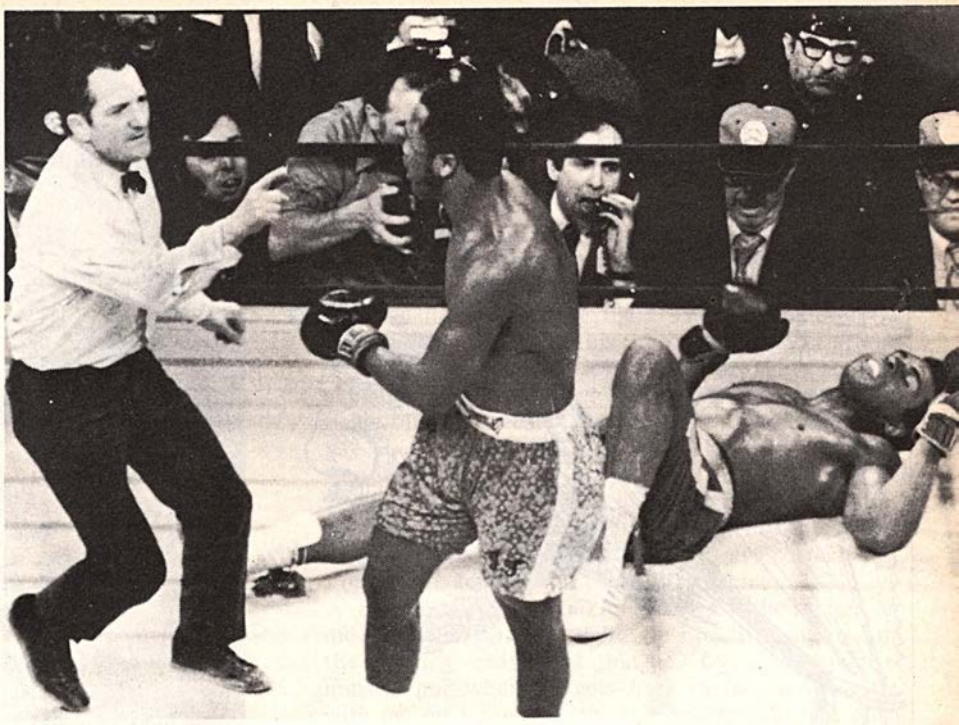
Other bids for Foreman's services come from Jamaica; with Norton; Panama, with Jose Urtain; Mexico; with Oscar Bonavena; and, of course, Quarry.

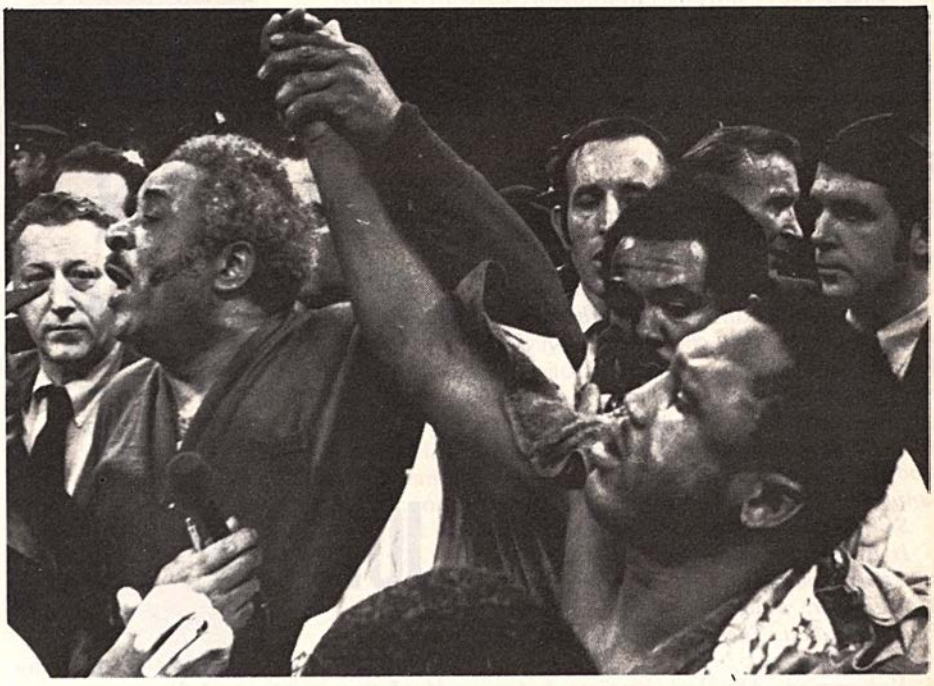
Foreman is handicapped not only by those court orders but the New York State income tax law.

It had been reported that negotiations for a reduction of the tax had proceeded encouragingly. But it turns out that this "tip" is just another hoax.

Let us move from the possibilities to the actualities. The top event, of course, is the return match between Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier.

This was a match that had to be made. The Garden people in New York found both former world champions eager to meet.





(Above) Ali is down, flat on his back, following receipt of a Frazier left hook in the 15th round. (Below) The late Yank Durham, Frazier's manager, holds Joe's hand up in victory after the champion retained his crown against Ali.

Neither fighter is capable of the form he showed when Frazier got the unanimous 15-round decision in Madison Square Garden on March 8, 1971.

This fight developed more rancors than any other heavyweight championship contest in many years.

There was no doubt that Frazier was entitled to the decision. The contest was marked by a spectacular climax. In the 15th round Frazier floored Clay with a left hook and it looked like curtains for the former champion.

However, Ali made it back to his feet, knowing that no matter what he would say, Frazier had beaten him, and done a good job of it.

Referee Arthur Mercante called it 8 rounds to 5, with 2 even.

Judge Bill Recht scored it 11 to 4 and judge Artie Aidala's card read 9 to 6.

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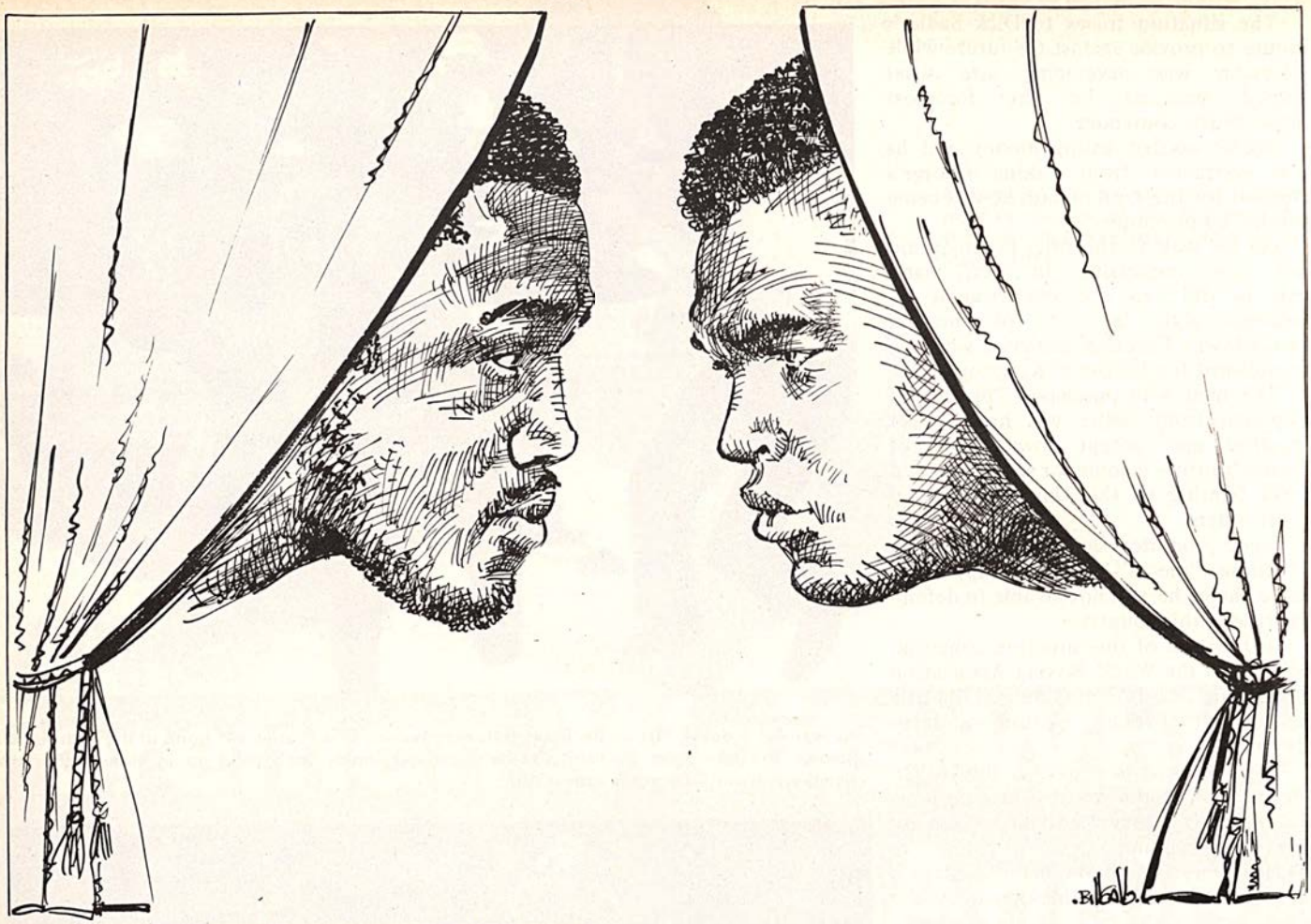

TO YOUR SEATS FOR ACT II OF JOE VS. ALI

By BILL GALLO

FLASHBACK: (The scene is Madison Square Garden. Muhammad Ali, beaten and battered, is leaving the ring unsmiling but with cheers ringing in his ears. Unfortunately, the cheers are for Joe Frazier.)

ACT TWO. (2 years later):

Action of the play takes place in a warm dressing room in the bowels of Madison Square Garden on a cold January 28 night.

SCENE 2:

It is 10 p.m. and a trainer is winding adhesive tape around the fighter's hand. The fighter, a light-skinned, handsome black, is sullen. The cast of characters (in order of speaking):

Muhammad Ali; Joe Frazier; Judge Number One; Judge Number Two; Referee; Announcer; Time Keeper;

And a cast of thousands.

The curtain opens and Muhammad speaks: "I'm gonna whup Joe Frazier!"

And so begins the second stanza for **"THE FIGHT."** Don't leave your seats. This one could be interesting.

To recap Act One you recall that it was held on March 8, 1971, in Madison Square Garden before a full house pulling in a record $1,352,952, plus an estimated 300 million more fans in the U.S. and the rest of the world who saw the show on closed circuit TV and via satellite.

Frazier, giving away six inches in reach, knew early in the fight that he wasn't going to reach the jaw of the back-pedalling Ali, so he started to go to the body and continued the pounding for the final eight rounds.

Frazier stunned Ali with a right to the head in the 11th round, then caught him again with a left hook that sent Muhammad sprawling in the 15th and final round.

When it was over, this "Battle of the Century," Frazier was not charitable, "He called me a lot of names. I wanted him to come to me after the fight and apologize. But he just mumbled something and turned to his corner."

It was clear to the majority of viewers that Frazier was the winner but it was also clear that he took too much punishment. Once, in the early rounds, he stuck out his chin defiantly: "I stuck it out to let him know he couldn't hurt me." This was an obvious act of bravado.

When the decision was handed down, it was all Frazier. Judge Bill Recht saw it as no-contest with an 11-4 score; Judge Artie Aidala had it 9-6. Referee Arthur Mercante called it a close 8-6-1.

Act One was over and the world was already clamoring for an encore. "I'm going home and live a little," and the heavyweight champion, Joe Frazier, the side of his head swollen and ugly. "It's been tough, this business."

It was so tough that before Joe went home he was to spend two weeks in the hospital to recover from exhaustion and the battering by Ali.

Time may heal all wounds but during the long intermission between these two acts, the principal players have lost some of their lustre.

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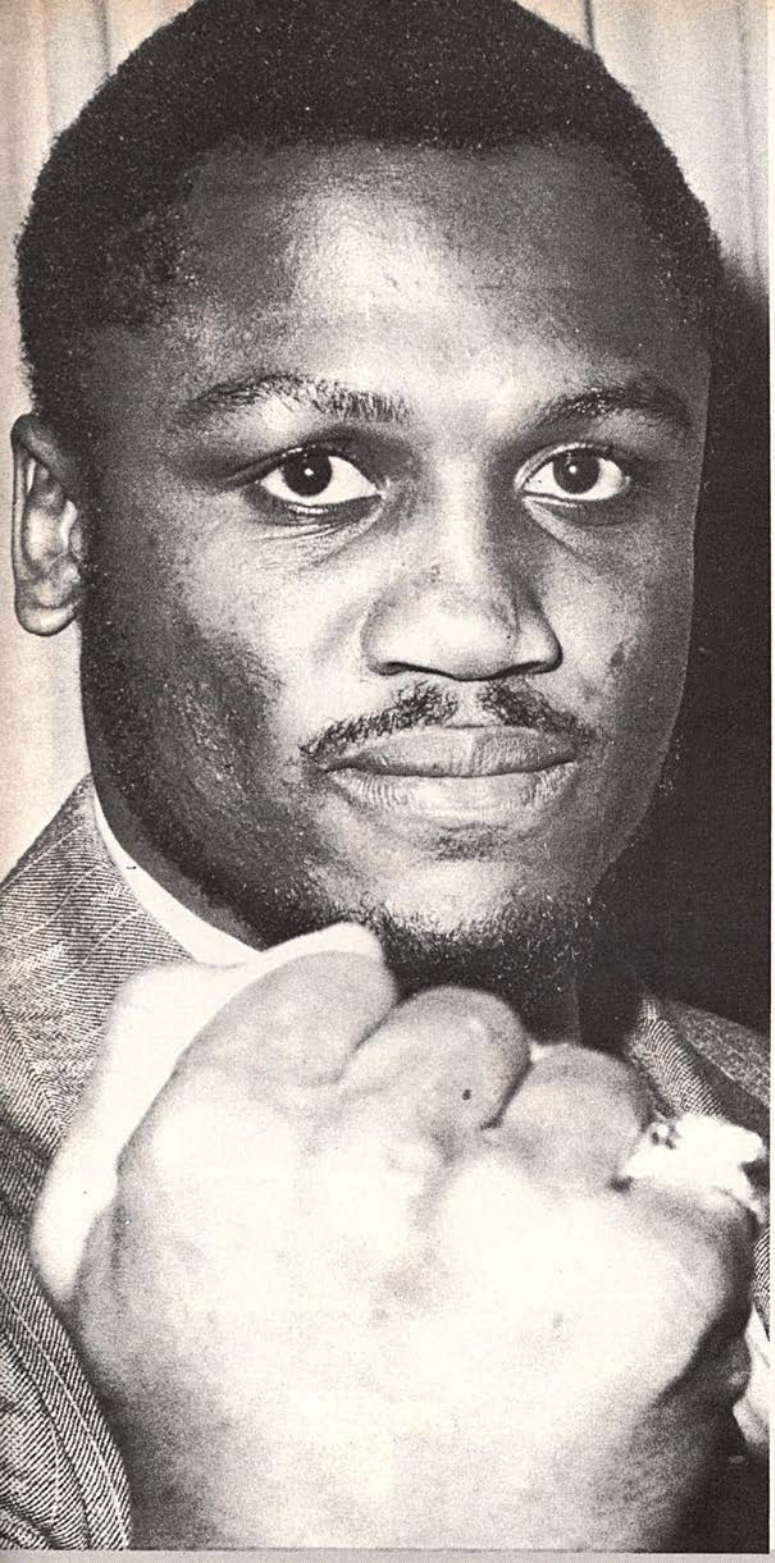

Ali A Phoney With Punch And Tongue, Says Frazier

By JOE FRAZIER

I'VE been waiting for this fight for a long time. Things have changed quite a bit since I beat Clay in 1971. The only thing that hasn't changed is the emotion involved in the fight. There might even be more emotion involved this time than the 1971 affair, if that is possible. You see, a few years ago, Clay was always playing the clown and sometimes he used to tickle me. But because of some of the things he says, I've lost respect for him. Yes, it's different. I've stopped laughing.

I can't think of anyone in the world that I'd enjoy beating more than Clay. Sure, I want my title back. I'd be crazy not to want another shot at Foreman and I'm sure I'll get it—after I beat Clay again.

He hasn't stopped talkin' about what he figured he did to me in our first fight. He's been trying to con the world. I really think that he's trying to convince himself but when he gets back in the Garden ring with me on January 28th, he'll realize that he's only been fooling himself.

He hasn't been the same since our 1971 fight. He's been getting hit more and more every time he steps into the ring. Sure, he got his weight down for the return with Ken Norton after Norton broke his jaw, but even though he tried to keep moving, Norton kept the pressure on and hurt Clay throughout the fight. If it wasn't for his great pride that won him the final round, Clay would have lost the split decision instead of winning it.

I'm just sick of listening to him. He's just a phony anyway, with punch and tongue, and I don't care what he says or thinks. I'll do my talking in the ring. I'm just anxious to get it on. I'm not one for predicting,—that's his game,—but I think I'll knock him out.

I miss Yank (advisor-trainer Yank Durham who recently passed away) but I have a great deal of Yank in Eddie Futch, who has taken over for Durham. Eddie's not only a great trainer and strategist but he's also a close friend whom everybody respects. Eddie also manages and trains Ken Norton, who gave Clay all he wanted.

It's sort of stupid to talk about any strategy for the fight because so many things change during the

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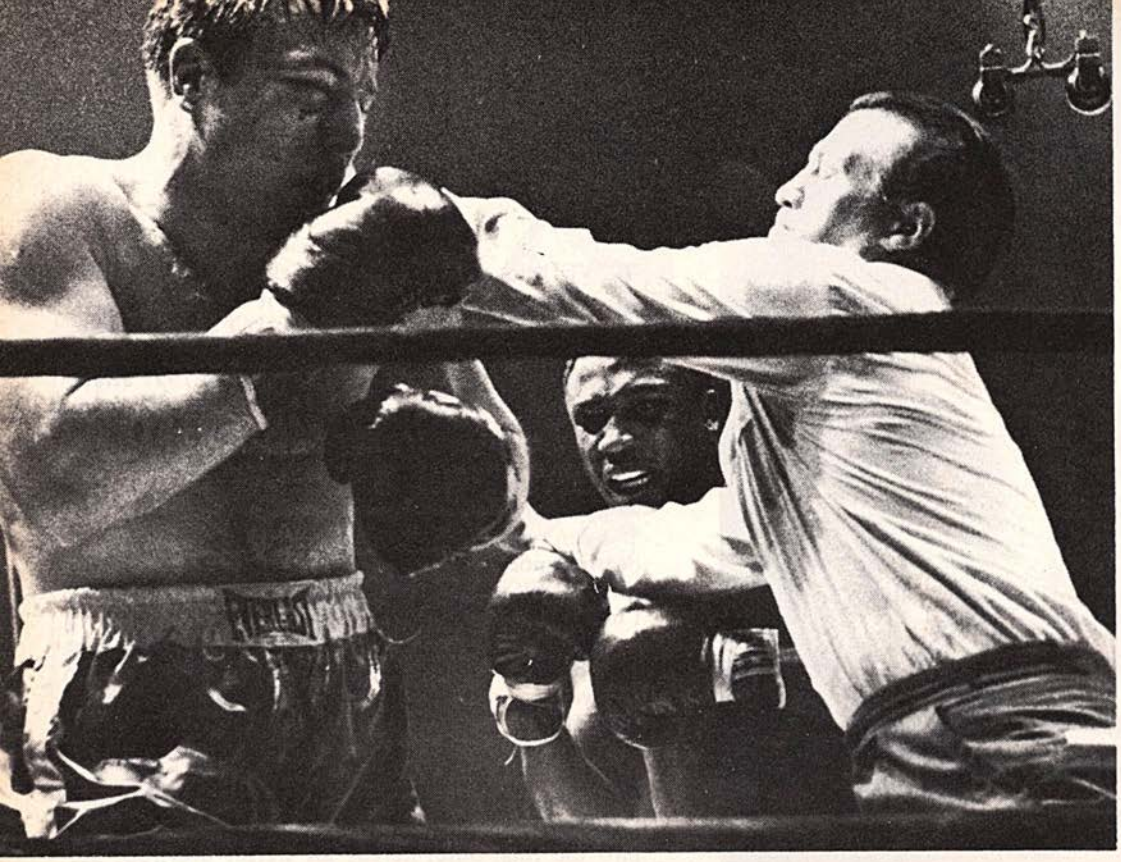
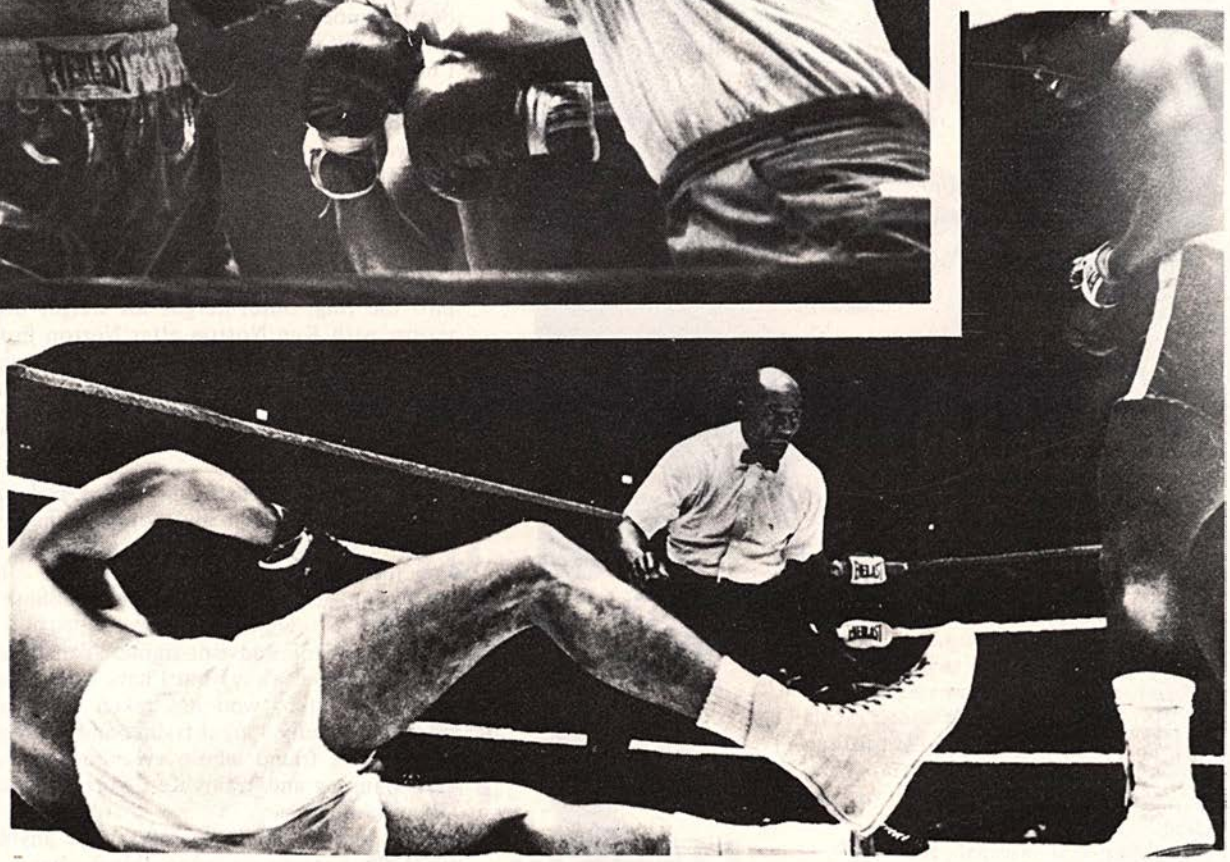
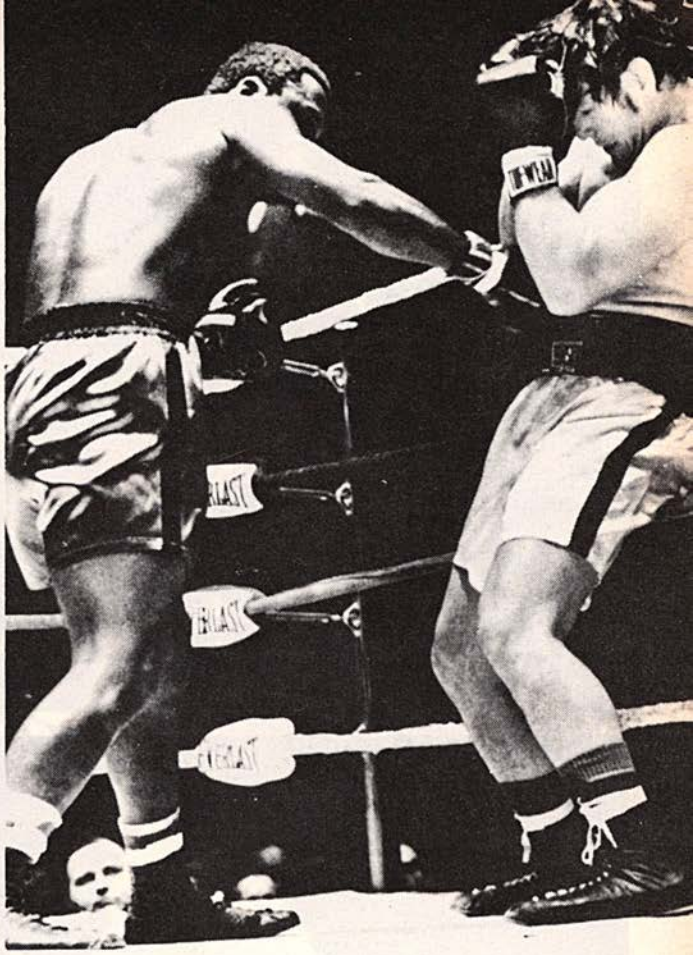


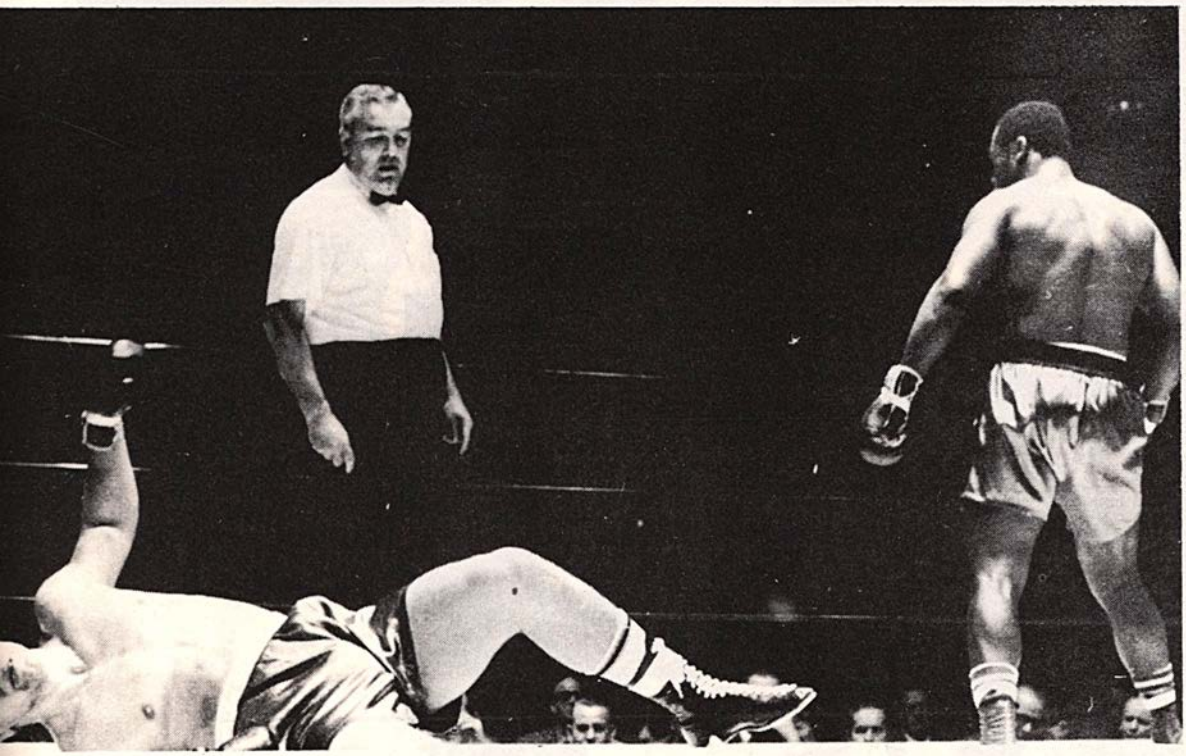
Referee Johnny Colan halts matters in the fourth round to prevent George Chuvalo from absorbing more punishment from Joe Frazier in their 1967 meeting.



(Above) Tony Doyle is another Frazier victim in October, 1967, as referee Zack Clayton eyes the coming champion. (Left) Frazier drives a hard right to the chin of Buster Mathis in the 11th round of their Madison Square Garden meeting in March, 1968. Joe knocked out Buster a few moments hence.

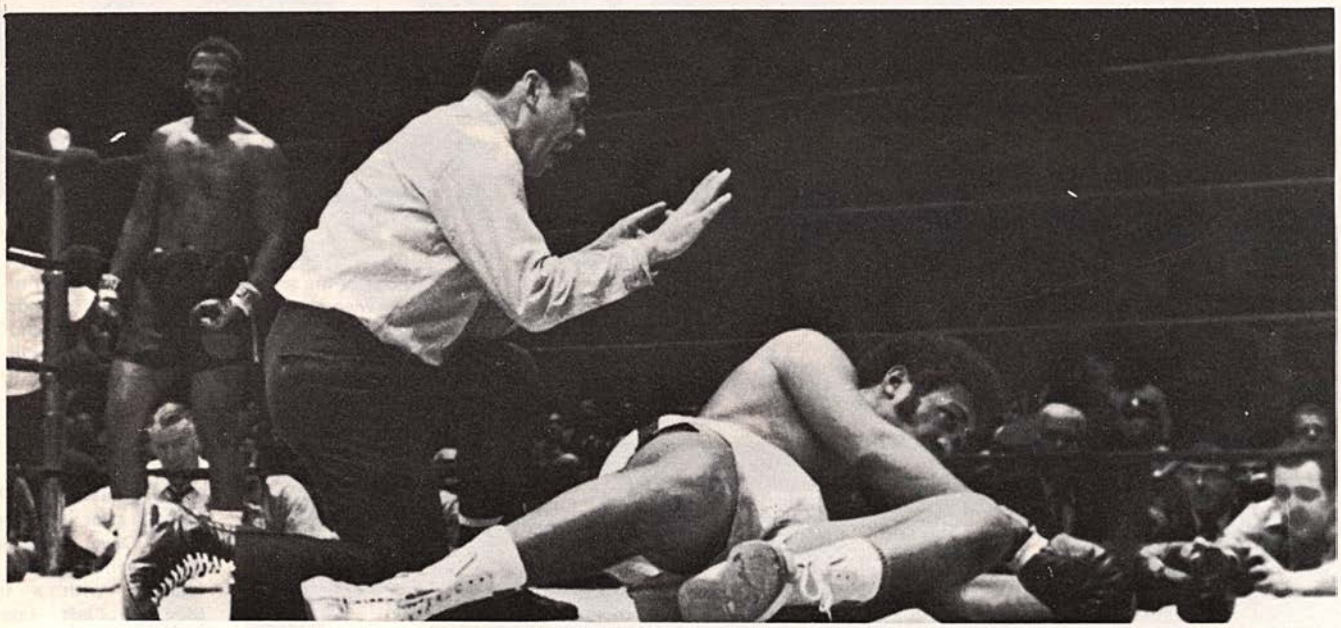


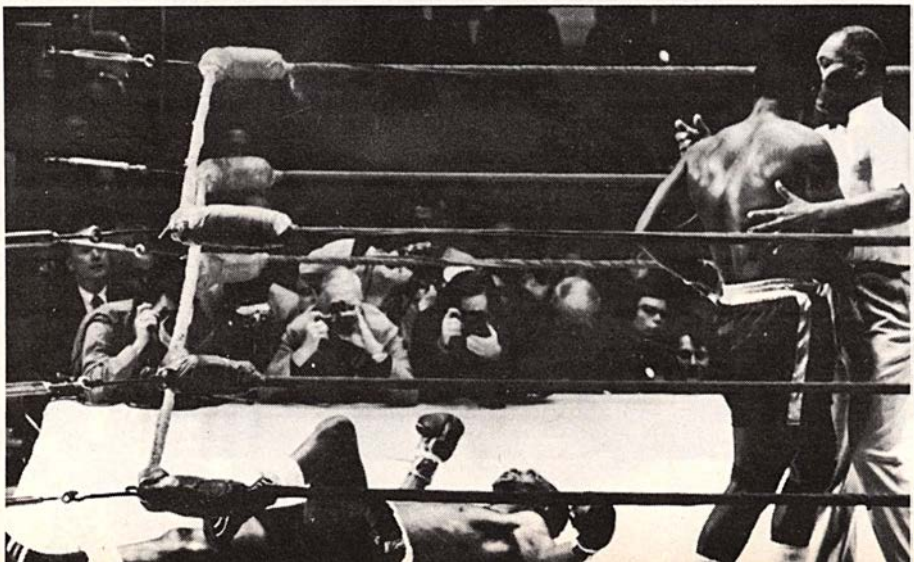
(Left) Manuel Ramos is dazed from the amount of punishment he has taken as he hits the canvas in the second round against Frazier in June 1968. Referee Arthur Mercante halted things a few seconds later. (Above) It's the second meeting between Frazier and Bonavena in Philadelphia and Joe has Ringo up against the ropes in the second heat. Frazier won a unanimous decision in this 1968 meeting.



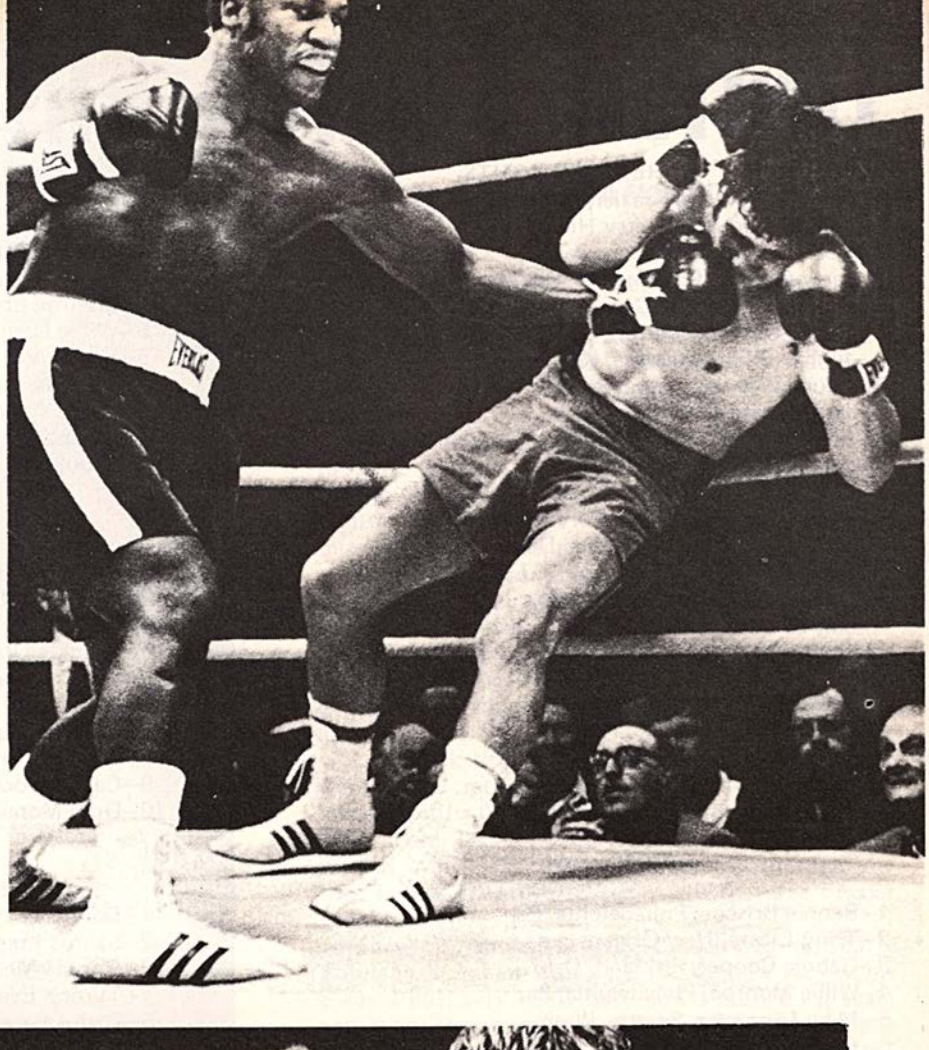
Frazier heads for the corner after knocking down Dave Zyglewicz in the first round at Houston with a tremendous left hook. Ziggy didn't get up. It happened in April, 1969.

(Left) Frazier has just connected with a hard left to the jaw of Jerry Quarry during their June, 1969, meeting. Joe was awarded a TKO victory at the end of the seventh round. (Below) Referee Tony Perez counts over Jimmy Ellis as Frazier watches from a neutral corner in the fourth round of their bout in February, 1970. The bell saved Ellis but Jimmy was unable to come out for the fifth round, thus giving Frazier the triumph and full recognition as heavy king.

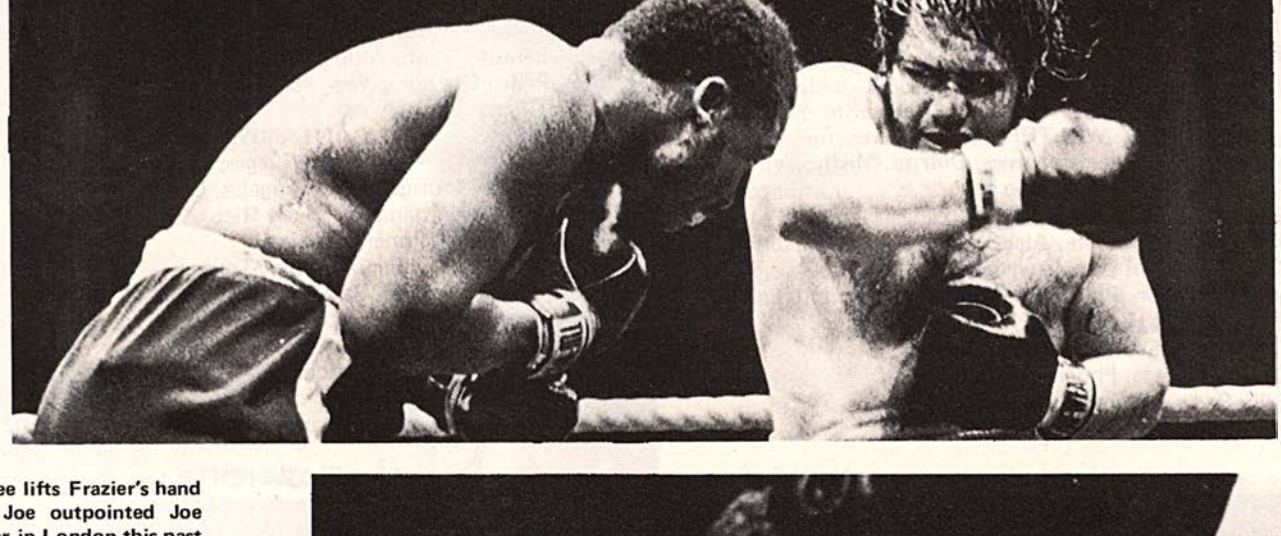




Bob Foster is stretched out on the canvas as referee Tom Brisco is about to send Frazier to a neutral corner in the second round of their Detroit meeting. Foster was counted out at 0:49 of the round.



(Right) Frazier knocks Terry Daniels through the ropes in the fourth and final round of their meeting in New Orleans in January, 1972. (Below) Frazier ducks away from a swing from Ron Stander during the early going. Joe won via the TKO route in the fifth in May, 1972.



Referee lifts Frazier's hand after Joe outpointed Joe Bugner in London this past July.

UNITED STATES RING RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Joe Frazier, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–Muhammad Ali, Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–Ken Norton, San Diego, Calif.
3–Jerry Quarry, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
5–Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
6–Jimmy Ellis, Louisville, Ky.
7–Chuck Wepner, Bayoone, N.J.
8–Jeff Merritt, Cleveland, Ohio
9–Randy Neuman, Cliffside Park, N.J.
10–Jose Roman, Puerto Rico

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Len Hutchins, Detroit, Mich.
1–Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
2–Richie Kates, Philadelphia, Pa.
3–Andy Kendall, Portland, Ore.
4–Jimmy Dupree, Jersey City, N.J.
5–Eddie Jones, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Al Boldon, Pittsburgh, Pa.
7–Hal Carroll, Syracuse, N.Y.
8–Billy Wagner, Cleveland, Ohio
9–Walter White, Orlando, Fla.
10–Vinnie Curto, Miami Beach, Fla.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Emile Griffith, New York, N.Y.
1–Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
2–Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
3–George Cooper, Oakland, Calif.
4–Willie Monroe, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–Mike Lancaster, Seattle, Wash.
6–Bill Douglas, Columbus, Ohio
7–Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–John L. Sullivan, Carson City, Nev.
9–Eugene Hart, Philadelphia, Pa.
10–Mike Baker, Spartanburg, S.C.

WELTERWEIGHTS
*Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit, Mich.
1–Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
2–Eddie Perkins, Chicago, Ill.
3–Jack Tillman, Mobile, Ala.
4–Armando Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Vernon Mason, Baltimore, Md.
6–Buddy Boggs, Baltimore, Md.
7–Ray Seales, Seattle, Wash.
8–David Oropeza, Phoenix, Ariz.
9–Billy Backus, Syracuse, N.Y.
10–Sandy Torres, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
*Victor Ortiz, Puerto Rico
1–Miguel Barreto, Puerto Rico
2–Johnny Gant, Washington, D.C.
3–Doc McClendon, Paterson, N.J.
4–Hector Matta, Puerto Rico
5–Tony Petronelli, Taunton, Mass.
6–Josue Marquez, Puerto Rico
7–Chu Chu Malave, New York, N.Y.
8–Andy Price, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Chuck Wilburn, Cleveland, Ohio
10–Al Scooter Meza, Kennwick, Wash.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
1–Jimmy Heair, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Ray Lampkin, Portland, Ore.
3–Ray Lunny III, San Francisco, Calif.
4–Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Willie Daniels, Philadelphia, Pa.
6–Edwin Viruet, New York, N.Y.
7–Dale Hernandez, Omaha, Nebr.
8–Javier Ayala, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Norman Goins, Indianapolis, Ind.
10–Brooks Byrd, Clovis, New Mexico

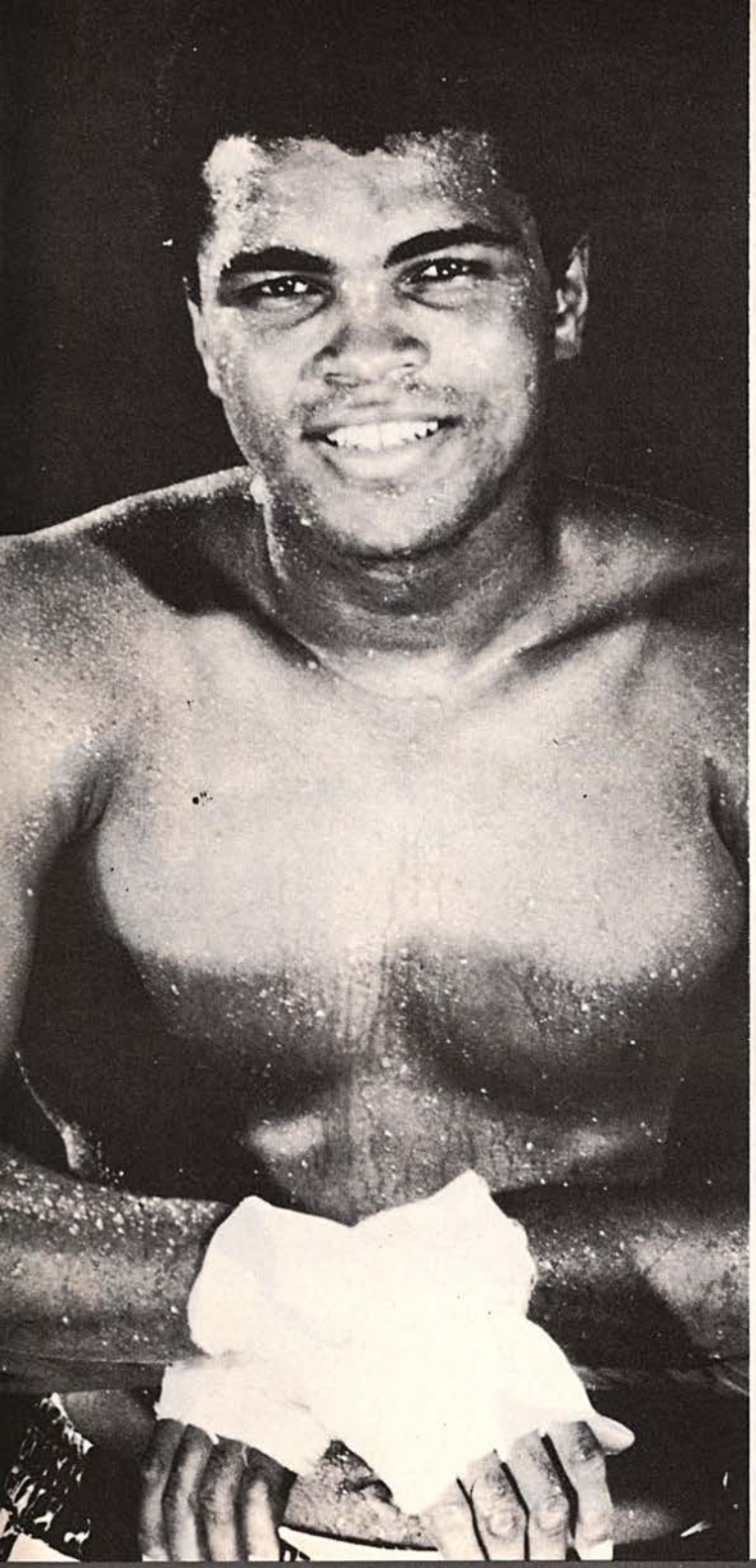
JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Sammy Goss, Trenton, N.J.
1–Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico
2–Walter Seeley, Sayville, L.I., N.Y.
3–Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico
4–Frankie Otero, Miami, Fla.
5–Jose Fernandez, New York, N.Y.
6–Luis Lopez, Philadelphia, Pa.
7–Eduardo Santiago, Puerto Rico
8–Lorenzo Trujillo, Houston, Texas
9–Calvin Woodland, Washington, D.C.
10–Dom Monaco, Brooklyn, N.Y.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
1–Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
3–Ronnie McGarvey, Hillcrest Hgts., Md.
4–Tyrone Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–Carlos Perez, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Bennie McCall, New Orleans, La.
7–Vilomar Fernandez, New York, N.Y.
8–Kenny Weldron, Houston, Texas
9–Ernesto Vann, Albuquerque, N.M.
10–Pedro Guzman, New York, N.Y.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*Francisco Villegas, Puerto Rico
1–Benny Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
3–Earl Large, Phoenix, Ariz.
4–Tony Rocha, San Antonio, Texas
5–Johnny Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
6–Andres Torres, Puerto Rico
7–Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Flavio Barcena, Glendale, Calif.
9–David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
10–Chuck Spence, Cleveland, Ohio

FLYWEIGHTS
*Tony Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
1–Willie Jansen, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–Bobby Holderfield, Little Rock, Ark.
3–Alfonso Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Arden Peralta, Phoenix, Ariz.
5–Rocky Garcia, San Antonio, Texas
6–Diego Martinez, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–Eduardo Correa, Puerto Rico
8–Milton Higa, Honolulu, Hawaii
9–Salvatore Vasquez, Corpus Christi, Texas
10–Jose Zaldivar, Stockton, Calif.

*Champion



ALI SAYS HIS CONDITION IS AMAZING, VICTORY SURE

By MUHAMMAD ALI

I WHUPPED Joe Frazier before and I'll do it again. The officials gave our first fight to Joe but Joe and I know who won and maybe that's why he is supposed to hate me. All I did for Joe, aside from giving him the worst whupping of his life, was to make him more money that he ever made before.

They're going to try to turn this fight into a frenzy of hate. I don't really bear a grudge against Joe Frazier. He's a nice man and a good fighter. It's his right to believe what he wants to believe in, just as it's my right to do the same.

When we're in the ring, however, we're not fighting about the problems of the world—we're just there to settle who is the better fighter. It doesn't matter whether I like his character or what he does outside that ring. Sure, he calls me Clay and a few other names. That's just another sign of immaturity and ignorance.

Let's stick to the fight. I wanted this one, just as I wanted the return bout with Ken Norton. If and when I retire from the ring, I want to have evened every score. This is the only one left at the moment. I wanted it to be in the same setting as the first one was. I want to prove to the world that Joe Frazier never beat me.

They talk about Joe being demolished by George Foreman. Foreman didn't do the damage. He just hit a guy I hurt very badly only now I must do it again and more convincingly so that there's no more doubt in anybody's mind.

I don't know how good or how bad Joe Frazier can fight today. He certainly can't be any better than he was against me on March 8, 1971. He was at his best then. I don't think I was, coming off that long layoff of more than three years. But this time I'll have no excuses. I feel I have done the impossible physically. I have trained myself into unbelievable condition.

I proved against Norton in the second fight that I could still dance, that there's nothing wrong with my legs. I can also say that my jaw is stronger than ever and that by the time we get in the ring in Madison

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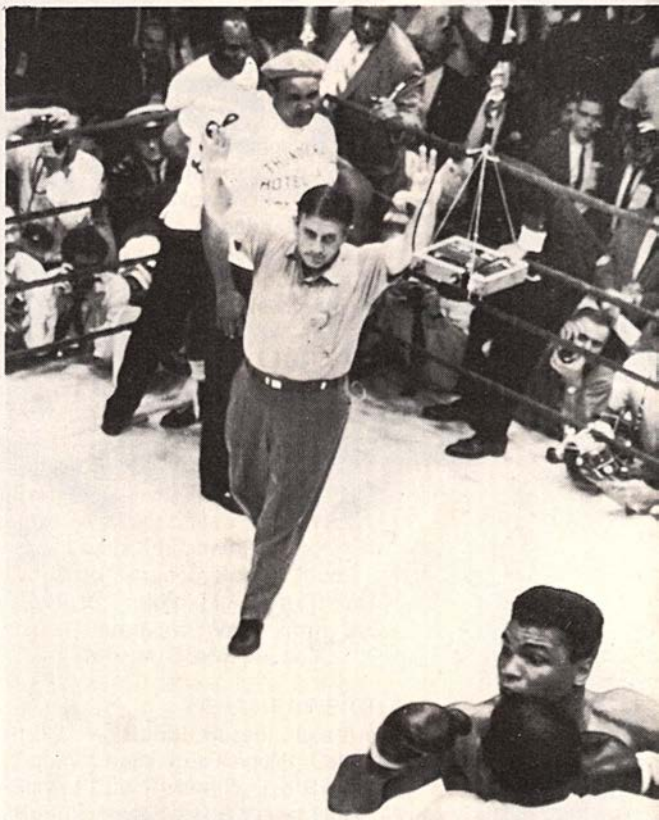
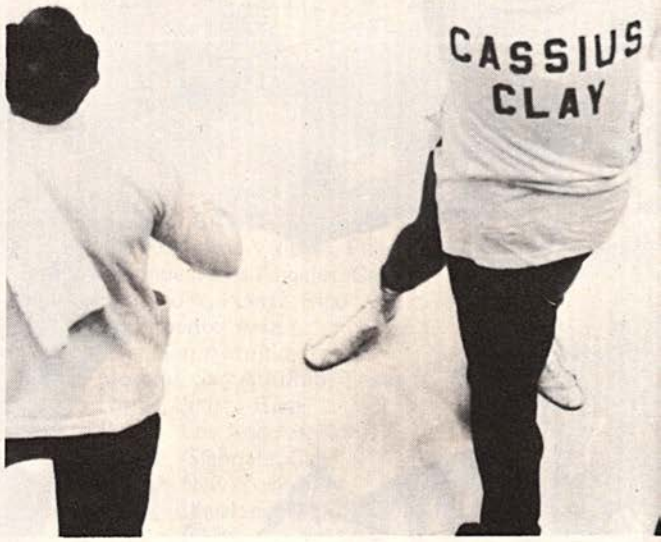
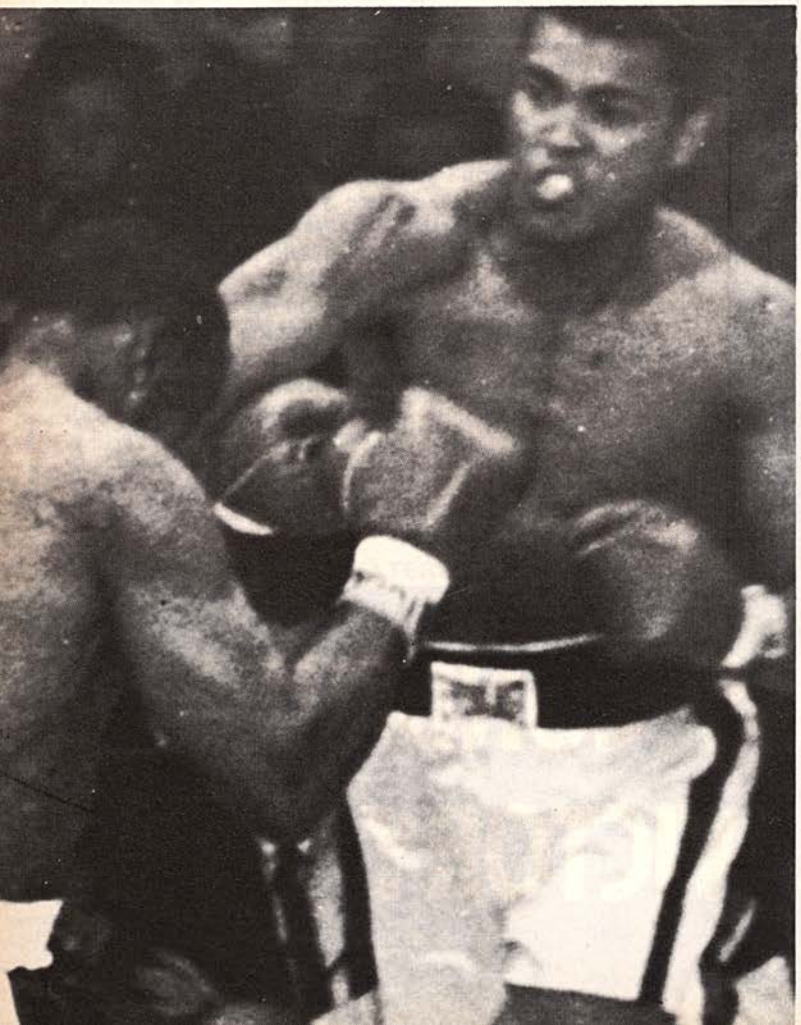
A scene from the first Clay-Cooper fight in 1963, with Henry backing Cassius into the ropes during the first round. Clay, though down in the fourth, stopped the Englishman in the fifth.



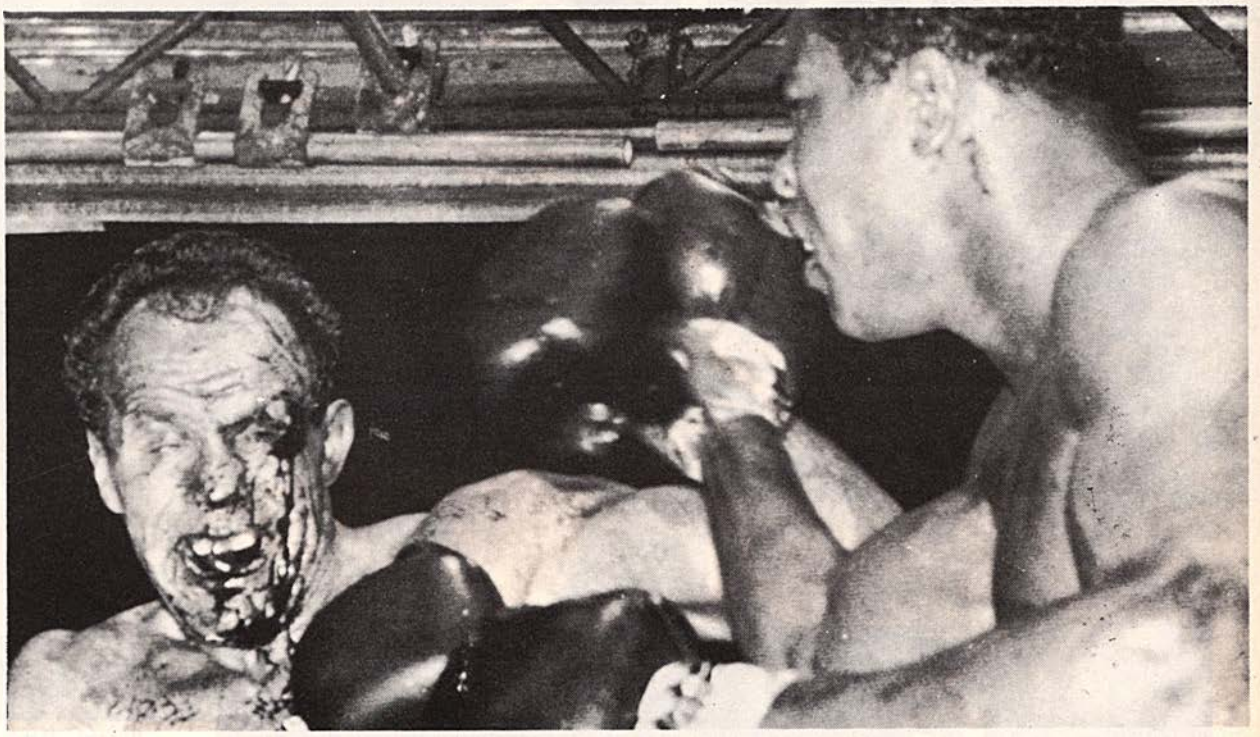


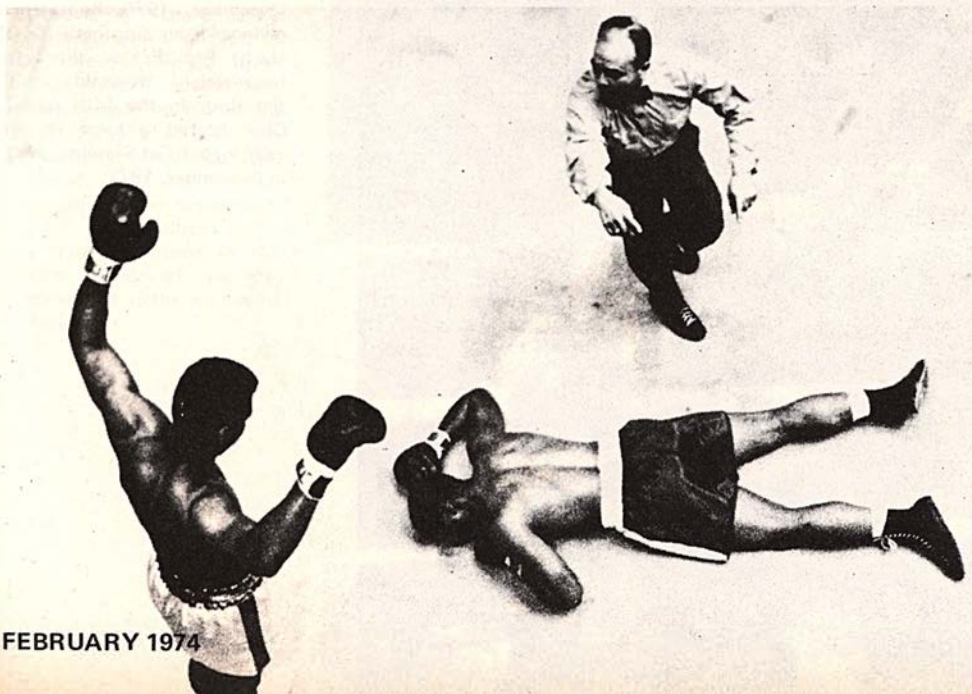
Clay becomes the new heavyweight king as referee Barney Felix signals that Sonny Liston can't answer the bell for the seventh round of their Miami Beach meeting in February, 1964.



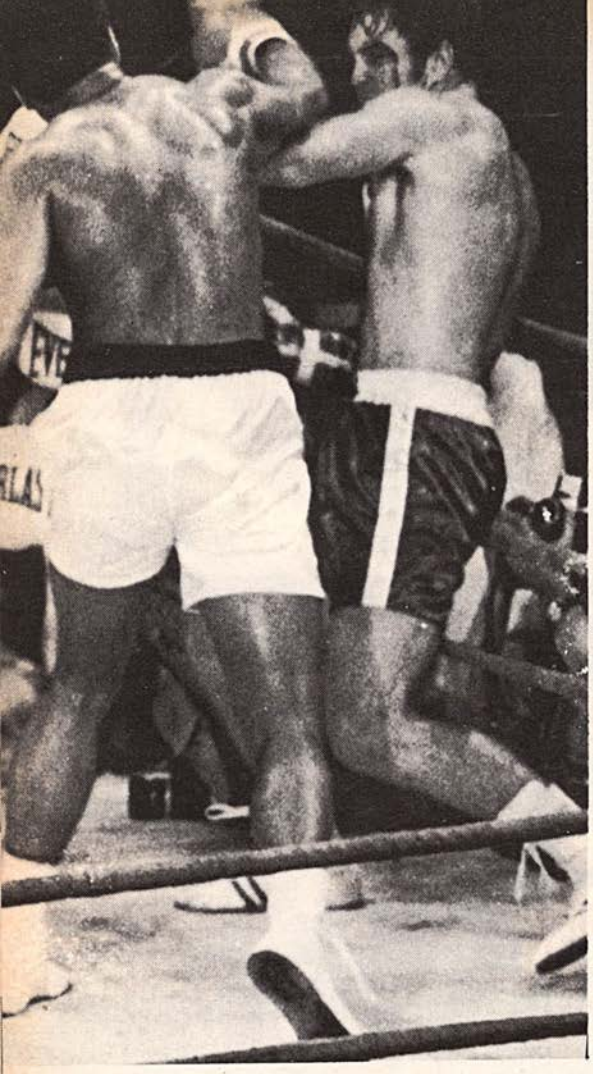
Clay lands the knockout punch in round one of the return with Liston at Lewiston, Me. in 1965.

Clay lands a long left to Floyd Patterson's jaw in the first round of their initial meeting in November, 1965. Clay stopped his man in the 12th.

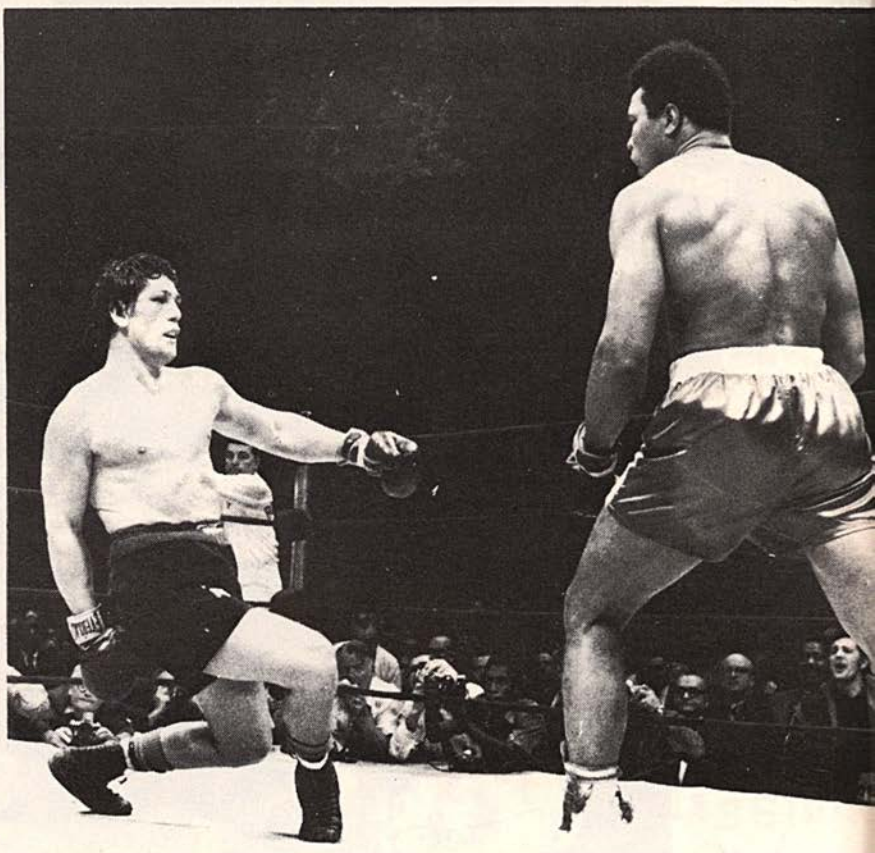


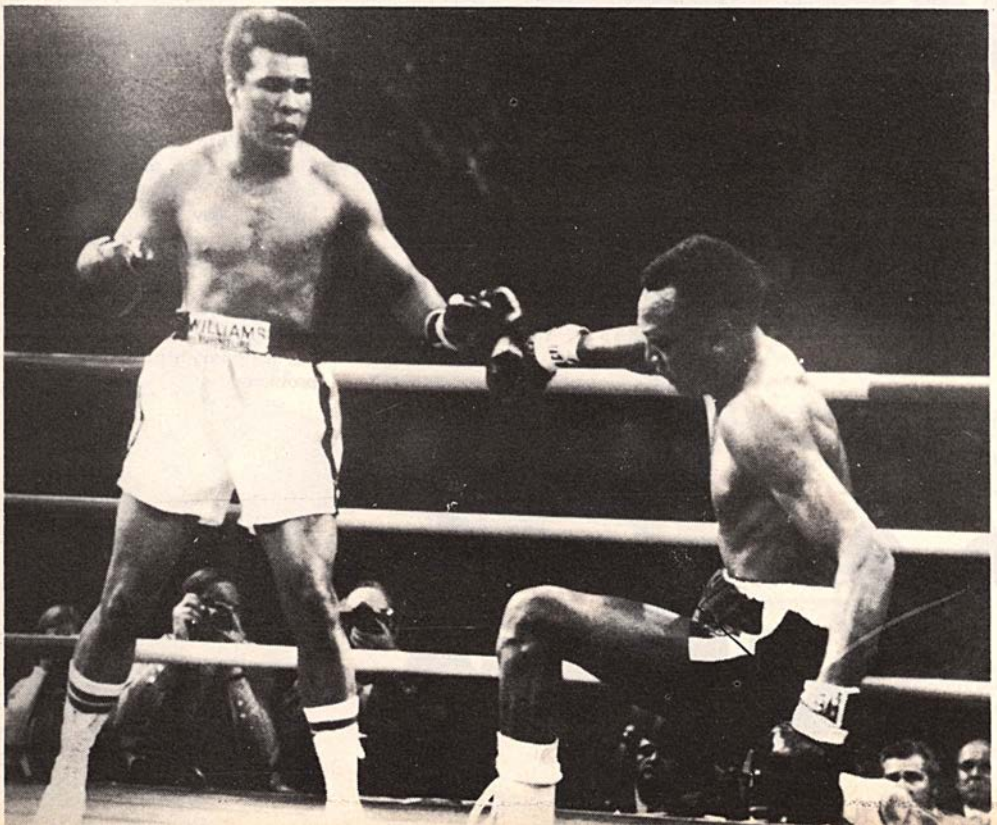


(Above) With Cooper's face bloodied, Clay tries to plow through the Englishman's defense in their title bout in May, 1966. The bout was halted at 1:38 of the sixth round. (Left) Zora Folley is flattened by Clay in the seventh round of their Madison Square Garden encounter in March, 1967. It was to be Cassius' last fight for three years due to draft problems.



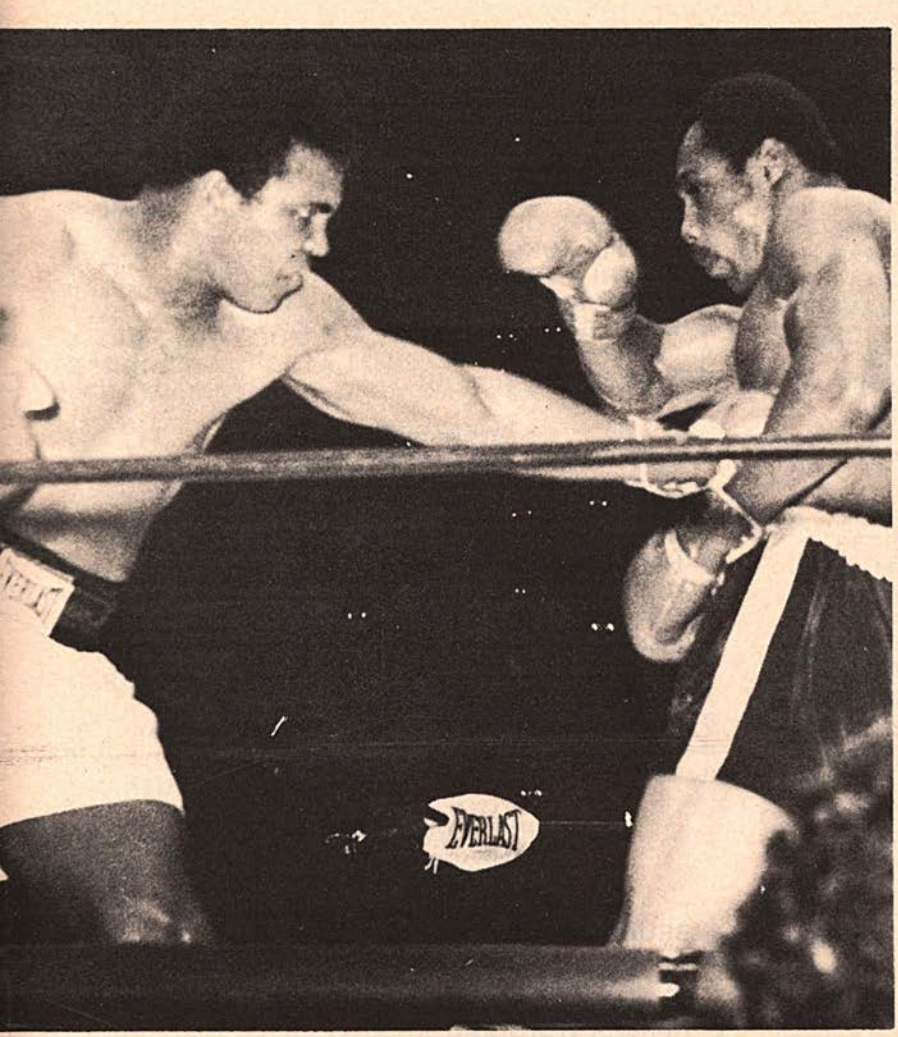
Clay, by now generally known as Muhammad Ali, bounces a right off Jerry Quarry's head in the second round at Atlanta in October, 1970. The referee stopped the bout after three rounds, awarding the victory to Ali. It was the first contest in his successful comeback to the ring wars.

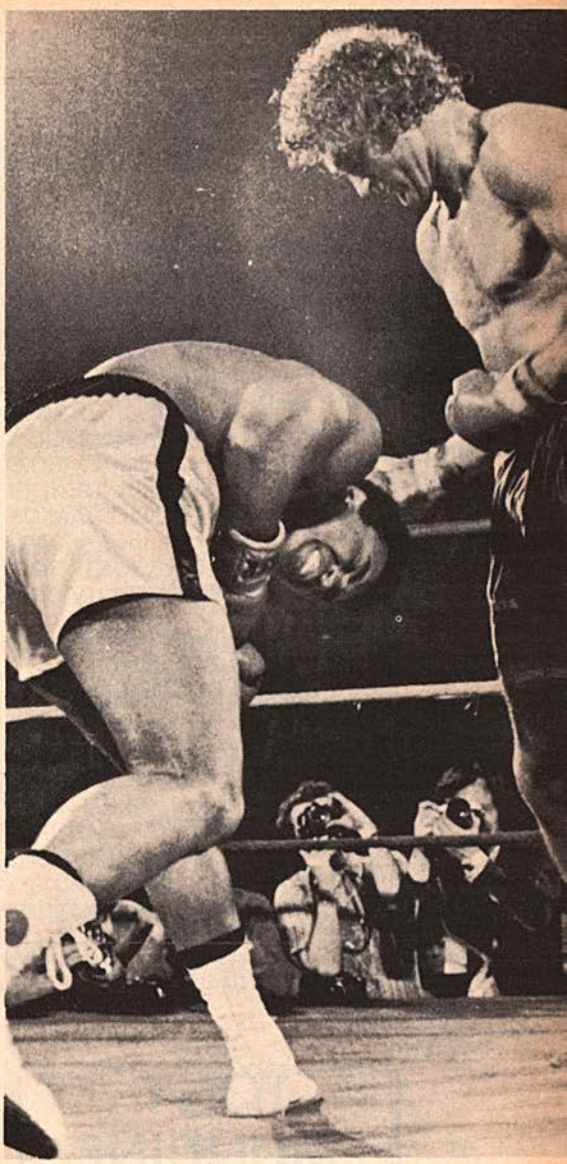




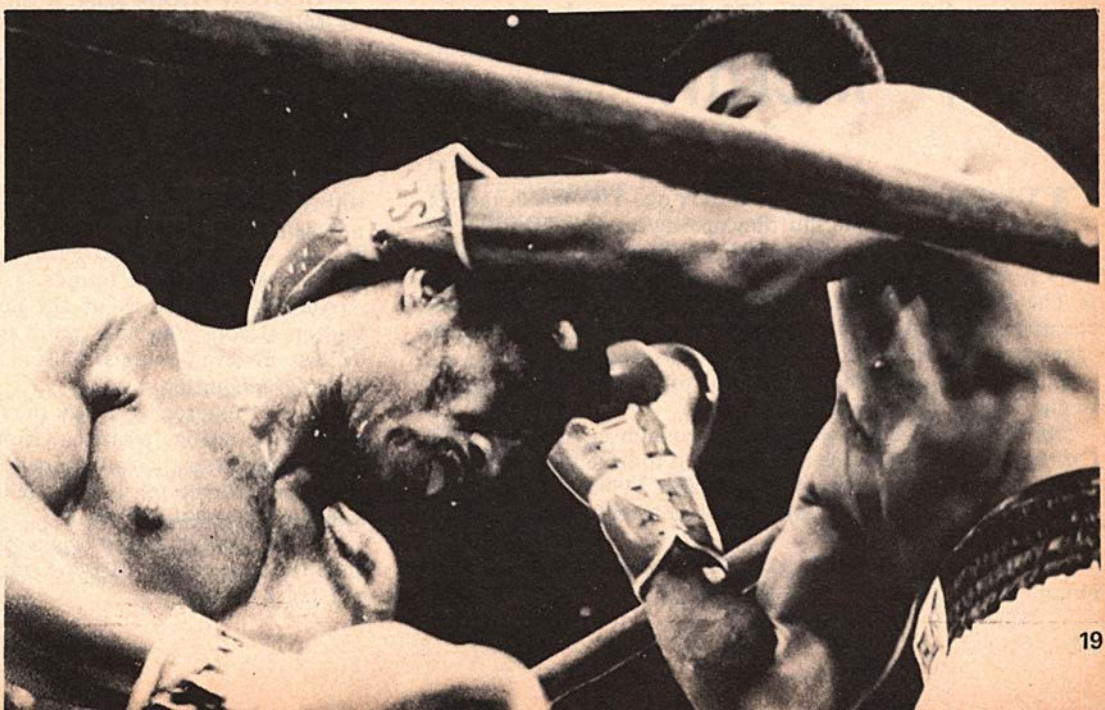
(Above) Oscar Bonavena looks as if he's doing a pirouette as he's about to hit the canvas in the 15th round. Ringo was floored three times in the December, 1970, bout, thus giving Ali an automatic TKO. (Left) Bob Foster, the light heavyweight titleholder, hits the floor in the fifth round. Clay scored a kayo in the eighth round at Stateline, Nev. in November, 1972.

Ali bends low in trying to avoid a combination thrown by Joe Bugner during their Las Vegas meeting of February, 1973. Ali won a 12-round decision.





(Above) Ali snarls as he connects with a long left to the chest of Ken Norton in their first match last March, won by Norton in 12. Ali suffered a broken jaw during the contest. (Right) In the return engagement, in September, 1973, Norton ducks under a flurry of blows in the fifth round. Ali was declared the victor via a split decision.



WORLD RATINGS

By NAT LOUBET

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GEORGE FOREMAN, Hayward, Calif.
1–**MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY),** Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–**JOE FRAZIER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3–**KEN NORTON,** SanDiego, Calif.
4–**JERRY QUARRY,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5–**RON LYLE,** Denver, Colo.
6–**EARNIE SHAVERS,** Warren, Ohio
7–**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
8–**JOE BUGNER,** England
9–**JIMMY ELLIS,** Louisville, Ky.
10–**CHUCK WEPNER,** Bayonne, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Albuquerque, N.M.
1–**JOHN CONTEH,** England
2–**LEN HUTCHINS,** Detroit, Mich.
3–**TOM BOGS,** Denmark
4–**VICTOR GALINDEZ,** Argentina
5–**PIERRE FOURIE,** South Africa
6–**MAXIE SMITH,** England
7–**CHRIS FINNEGAN,** England
8–**BOBBY CASSIDY,** Brentwood, N.Y.
9–**RICHIE KATES,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10–**ANDY KENDALL,** Portland, Ore.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–**TONY MUNDINE,** Australia
2–**RODRIGO VALDEZ,** Colombia
3–**BENNIE BRISCOE,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4–**MIGUEL de OLIVIERA,** Brazil
5–**JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER,** France
6–**KOICHI WAJIMA,** Japan
7–**TONY LICATA,** New Orleans, La.
8–**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N.Y.
9–**CHARKEY RAMON,** Australia
10–**LUIS FABRE,** Brazil

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–**ANGEL ESPADA,** Puerto Rico
2–**HEDGEMON LEWIS,** Detroit, Mich.
3–**CLYDE GRAY,** Canada
4–**ROGER MENETREY,** France
5–**FAUSTO RODRIGUEZ,** Dominican Rep.
6–**JOHN STRACEY,** England
7–**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
8–**JACK TILLMAN,** Mobile, Ala.
9–**HORACIO SALDANO,** Argentina
10–**ELISHA OBED,** Nassau, Bahamas

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ANTONIO CERVANTES, Colombia
1–**BRUNO ARCARI,** Italy
2–**ALFONSO FRAZER,** Panama
3–**ROGER ZAMI,** France
4–**TONI ORTIZ,** Spain
5–**HECTOR THOMPSON,** Australia
6–**MIGUEL BARRETO,** Puerto Rico
7–**CARLOS GIMENEZ,** Argentina
8–**VICTOR ORTIZ,** Puerto Rico
9–**MARIO GUILLOTI,** Argentina
10–**JOHNNY GANT,** Washington, D.C.

TONY MUNDINE FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THINGS are picking up in boxing. The latest ratings show considerable shuffling among the Top Tens.

The boxers of the world, especially in the sub-welter classes, have begun to move up and down, and even out.

The Fighter of the Month is Tony Mundine, middleweight champion of Australia, whom Carlos Monzon, world champion, said to be ready to retire, refuses to meet.

Mundine retained the No. 1 spot for the month by giving Emile Griffith a 12-round beating.

Mundine must have been playing possum in the fight with Carlos Marks, in which he was reported to have looked so bad that he had to consult a medical specialist.

The word went out that Mundine had been found lacking in blood.

Tony then proceeded to give Griffith a beating, and place himself within reach of the world title among the 160-pounders.

Second to Mundine for the Fighter of the Month was Betulio Gonzalez, Venezuelan flyweight, who knocked out Cosenito Morales in 11 rounds.

Among the failures of the month are listed Griffith and Vernon Mason, who in a return match with Jack Tillman, lost by KO in seven rounds. Mason had beaten Tillman in their previous encounter.

Now let us proceed down the line. In the heavyweight class we note no change whatever. Ron Lyle had a chance to move but got no better than a draw with unrated Greg Peralta.

Jimmy Dupree fell out of the light heavy top ten and Andy Kendall came back, in No. 10.

In the middleweight class those who moved up were Philadelphia's Bennie Briscoe, now No. 3, Miguel DeOliviera and Tony Licata.

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 13, 1973

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
1–**ESTEBAN DeJESUS,** Puerto Rico
2–**KEN BUCHANAN,** Scotland
3–**JIMMY HEAIR,** Los Angeles, Calif.
4–**RODOLFO GONZALEZ,** Mexico
5–**RAY LAMPKIN,** Portland, Ore.
6–**HUGO GUTIERREZ,** Argentina
7–**ANDRES STEYN,** South Africa
8–**OULD MAKLOUFI,** France
9–**SHINICHO KADOTA,** Japan
10–**RAY LUNNY III,** San Francisco, Calif.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
1–**KUNIAKI SHIBATA,** Japan
2–**LOTHAR ABEND,** Germany
3–**ALFREDO ESCALERA,** Puerto Rico
4–**SAMMY GOSS,** Trenton, N.J.
5–**ALFREDO MARCANO,** Venezuela
6–**RICARDO ARREDONDO,** Mexico
7–**VICTOR ECHEGARAY,** Argentina
8–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
9–**JESUS ALONSO,** Mexico
10–**ARTURO PINEDA,** Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
2–**ERNESTO MARCEL,** Panama
3–**ART HAFEY,** Canada
4–**DANNY LOPEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5–**LIONEL HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
6–**RUBEN OLIVARES,** Mexico
7–**BOBBY CHACON,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8–**JOSE LEGRA,** Spain
9–**SANTOS LUIS RIVERA,** Puerto Rico
10–**ANTONIO (GITANO) JIMENEZ,** Spain

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ARNOLD TAYLOR, South Africa
1–**ROMEO ANAYA,** Mexico
2–**RAFAEL HERRERA,** Mexico
3–**VENICE BORKORSOR,** Thailand
4–**JOHNNY CLARK,** England
5–**BENICO SOSA,** Argentina
6–**PAUL FERRERI,** Australia
7–**RODOLFO MARTINEZ,** Mexico
8–**JOSE CASAS,** Argentina
9–**BENNY RODRIGUEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10–**FRANCISCO VILLEGAS,** Puerto Rico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–**BETULIO GONZALEZ,** Venezuela
2–**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI,** Thailand
3–**MIGUEL CANTO,** Mexico
4–**HENRY NISSEN,** Australia
5–**FRITZ CHERVET,** Switzerland
6–**ERBITO SALAVARRIA,** Philippines
7–**TONY MORENO,** San Antonio, Texas
8–**VICENTE POOL,** Mexico
9–**COSTENITO MORALES,** Mexico
10–**FERNANDO ATZORI,** Italy

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
John L. Carter Tampa, Fla.	6/71	7	7	0	0	4
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Octavio Romero Venezuela	11/71	27	24	3	0	15
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Larry Paul England	1/73	8	8	0	0	6
WELTERWEIGHT						
Mike Rossman Atlantic City, N.J.	8/73	5	4	1	0	4
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Brooks Byrd Clovis, New Mexico	2/72	12	12	0	0	9
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Daniel Daniels Newark, N.J.	5/73	6	5	0	1	1
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Francisco Rodriguez Los Angeles, Calif.	1/73	5	3	1	1	2
FLYWEIGHT						
Alfonso Lopez Panama	11/72	12	12	0	0	7

Examination of the revised welter class shows inactive Eddie Perkins taking a fall with Angel Espada, Hedgemon Lewis, Clyde Gray and Roger Menetrey retaining the top four places.

Among the featherweights we find Art Hafey, on the upward swing, exchanging third places and fourth with Danny Lopez.

Nothing significant happened in the lightweight division, frozen by Roberto Duran's refusal to accept a challenge outside of Panama.

It will be noted that the featherweight and flyweight titles still are open.

Among the junior lightweights the chief change involves Sammy Goss' drop with Lothar Abend taking his place.

Note, please, the disappearance of Antonio Puddu, lightweight champion of Europe, from the ratings.

Bob Foster attempts a left but Pierre Fourie parries the blow with his own left as referee Roland Dakin watches in the early going.

FOURIE IMPROVES BUT FOSTER AGAIN STANDS OUT AS CHAMP

By BOB GOODMAN

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa – Number 13 didn't prove to be unlucky for Bob Foster, king of the light heavyweight division, as he used his experience and reach advantage to retain the crown for the unprecedented number against a determined Pierre Fourie via a unanimous 15-round decision.

The scene was fantastic as an estimated 43,000 fans paid approximately $500,000 in the Rand Stadium here. Although exact figures were not announced immediately following the fight, it was confirmed that they were over the $485,000 mark and still counting, long after the sea of enthusiastic and well behaved fans had left the Stadium. The previous all-time light heavyweight gross of $461,789 was set back on July 16, 1926 in Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, for the Jack Delaney-Paul Berlenbach battle.

The bout not only made history with the figures but, as the first black-white match ever fought in the sports oriented nation. Although the seating was segregated, blacks and whites together cheered the action and the bout has probably set the stage for many more such bouts. It's certainly a big step in the right direction.

Foster, who scaled 174½ to the challenger's 167, started off slowly in the chilly night air. Fourie fought an extremely aggressive fight for the first six rounds, landing with some

good left hooks. The champion seemingly struggled to get his jab working against Fourie's rushing style. The champ started to come on a bit better after the sixth and by the ninth round had taken control, landing solid blows behind a good left jab.

Although Foster connected on many occasions with good chopping rights and a few left hooks, Fourie always managed to keep his balance, therefore taking away any real opportunities for the champ to follow through.

There were no knockdowns in the bout, although Fourie made two trips to the canvas on slips in the 13th and 15th rounds.

Foster suffered a slight nick at the corner of the left lid midway in the bout.

The decision was not in doubt after the final bell, even though it was much closer than the first Foster-Fourie meeting in Albuquerque, N.M. on August 21 of this year.

The capable South African judge, Sydney Beck of Cape Town, saw it 101-98; Timothy Keleher, the Chairman of the Albuquerque Boxing Commission, accepted by the Board of Control as the American judge, scored it 103-95 for the champion; the neutral referee, Roland Dakin, of Great Britain, who worked very hard in a tough fight for any referee, scored it 103-99 for Foster.

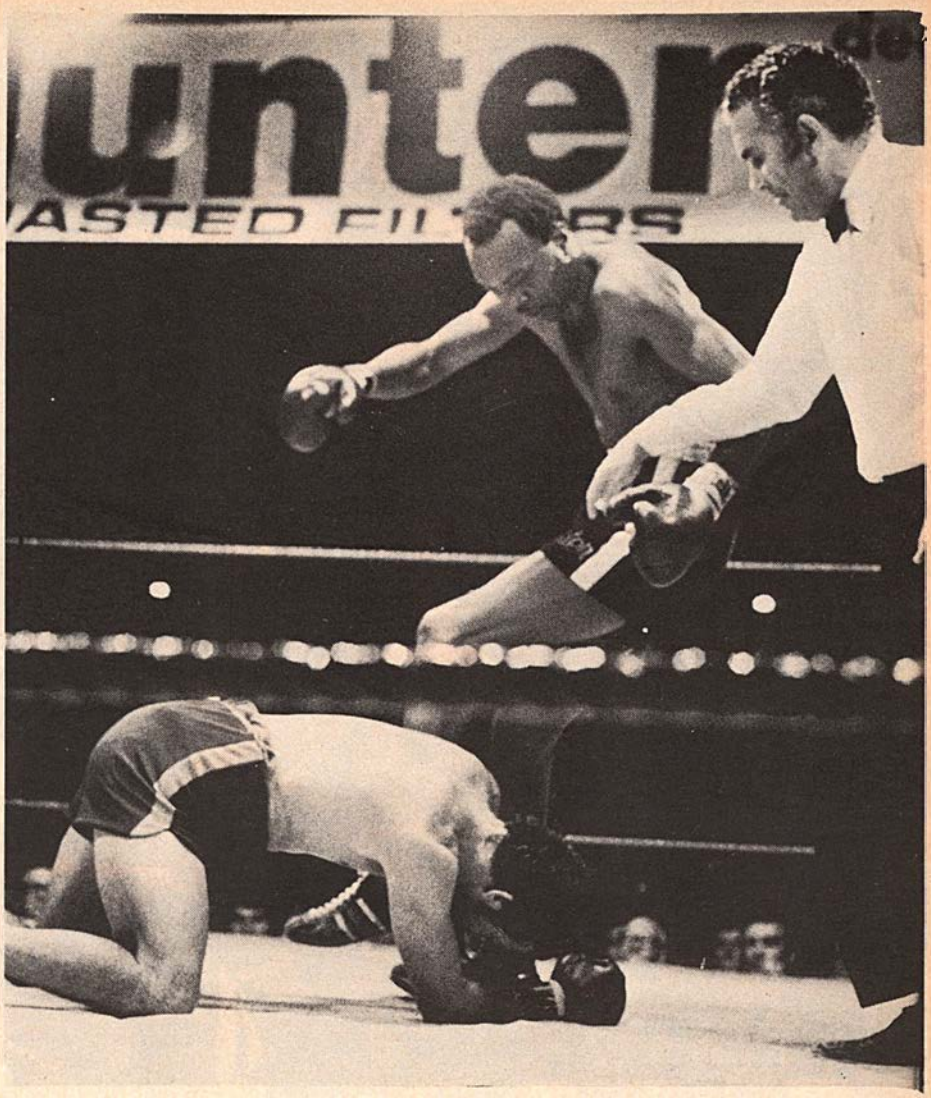
All the officials did a very fair and professional job in the contest which was scored under the 7-point must system and under W.B.A. Championship rules. The entire Transvaal Boxing Board of Control with Wilf Garforth at the helm as chairman and his secretary Stan Christodoulou, should be commended for their great part in a spectacular attraction.

The amazing Toweel family, the most famous boxing family in the world, brought Pierre Fourie up for a solid effort. Alan, the trainer, manager and strategist had the right plan but Foster's condition and superior physical skills, managed to keep his title intact.

Promoter, Maurice Toweel worked like a superman from his wheelchair and shall be admired forever by the many people who knew how hard he worked to insure the success of the show. His Springbok Promotions was sponsored by the Hunter Cigarette Company, who were also extremely happy with the history-making event.

No, there weren't any political or racial incidents! The world can be proud of a true champion and a fine human being in Bob Foster.

"I came to fight, not to talk about politics," said Bob. "I fought a man. It was my toughest light heavyweight fight. To me he wasn't a white man or any other color, just a man trying to take away a very valuable possession. And a hell of a man he was too! I loved *all* the people in South Africa. They treated us all like kings and I hope we can come back soon," he concluded.



Foster does a hippity-hop as he avoids stepping on Fourie who stumbled to the canvas in the 15th. The referee ruled it was not a knockdown.

In the ring, before the decision was announced, Fourie, who fought his heart out, came over to Bob and said, "Bob, thanks for giving me a second chance at the title."

When the decision came, Foster, who earned $200,000 for the effort, picked up his worthy challenger and carried him joyously about the ring, jumping up and down. It was truly a great scene, the entire promotion was. The fight became almost secondary to spectacular memories derived from the total experience.

In the dressing room after the fight, Bob jumped into the largest bath tub this reporter has ever seen. Immediately following him came cornerman Eddie Futch. They wallowed in the steaming water, laughing with the other men in Bob's corner, trainer Billy Edwards and assistant trainer Lorenzo Brown.

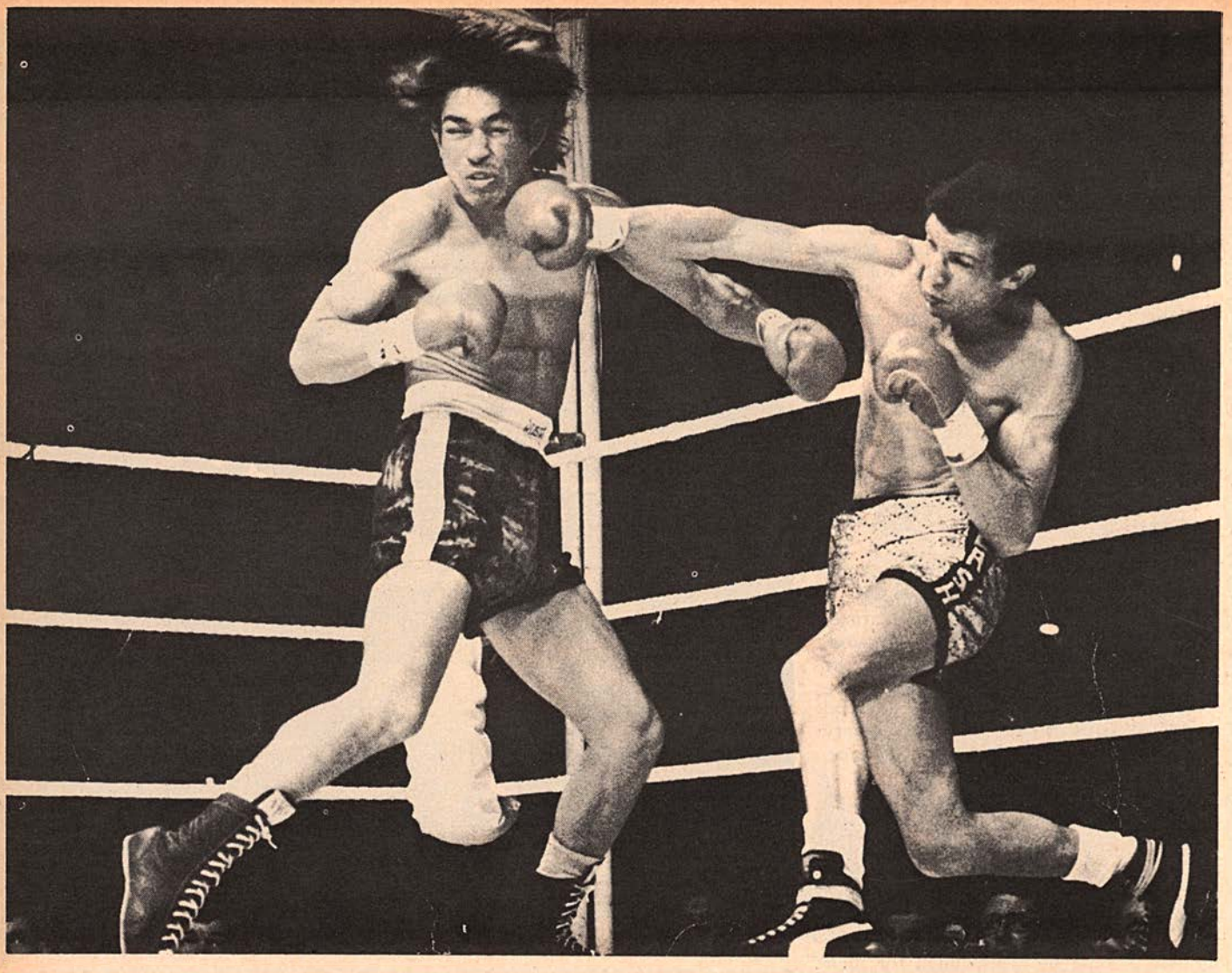
After dressing, the interview room upstairs in the Stadium was crowded with reporters. Bob screamed, "Where's my beer?", threatening to walk out if he didn't get his favorite thirst quencher in a hurry.

He laughed when they rushed in with a handful saying, "I'll only take two cans for a starter."

He heaped nothing but praise on Fourie and said he would meet him again but after he defended the crown one or two more times elsewhere.

"I have to get to the other contenders too," he said. "You and I can't monopolize the division," he said, looking at Fourie. "There's Conteh in England, and my friend Rudi Schmidtke in Germany and Len Hutchins in the States. And I don't want any more of you for awhile anyway," he laughed together with Fourie.

They now liked and respected each other and you had to come away with a great feeling of warmth.



South Africa's Arnold Taylor (right) tosses a terrific right which lands flush on the jaw of Romeo Anaya during their bantamweight title bout at Johannesburg. Taylor, who was floored four times, came back to knock out Anaya in the 13th and win the world 118-pound crown.

TAYLOR NEW BANTAM CHAMP IN LONG COUNT WITH ANAYA

By ED CLARK

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa – All hail Arnold Taylor, king of the bantamweights. Arnold gained undisputed right to the 118-pound class title by knocking out Romeo Anaya, of Mexico, in 13 rounds at the Rand Stadium.

Taylor's victory was a marked achievement, and landed South Africa in the colony of world champions.

No world title winner ever went to the top of his class by overcoming worse handicaps along the way of a championship fight.

Taylor, now 28, was decked four times.

He was floored thrice in the eighth and again in the tenth. But he fought back like an old time Boer at Ladysmith.

When Taylor answered the bell in the 13th round he was a 50 to 1 shot. His right eye was almost closed. But the Africander fought back and soon won with a crashing right to the jaw.

Down went the Mexican, and up went the spectators who found South Africa with its second world title. The first was won by Vic Toweel, when he outpointed Manuel Ortiz.

Toweel held the title for two years and then Jimmy Carruthers, of Australia, won the crown. Anaya got the bantam laurels from Enrique Pinder, of Panama.

Anaya got a big scare in the fifth when he was floored. Taylor hit the deck from a terrific left hook in the eighth.

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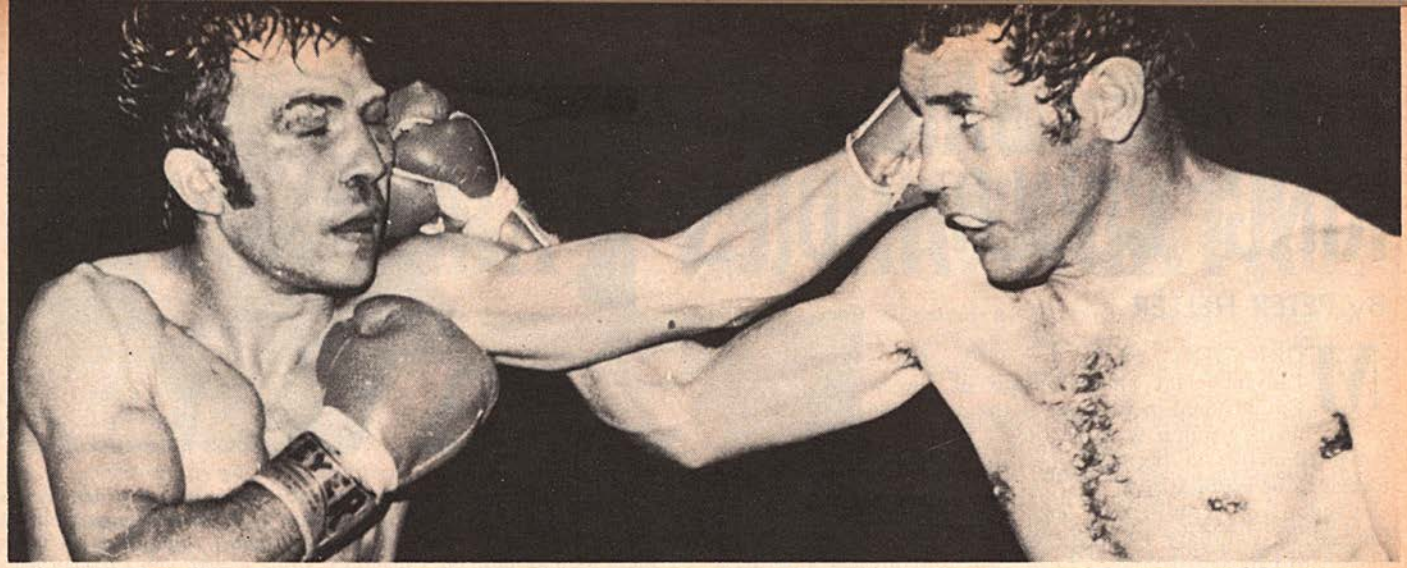

PUDDU HALTED BY GONZALEZ IN 10TH

By JERRY GOMEZ

LOS ANGELES, Calif. – Dr. Bernhard Schwartz, California Commission doctor at the fight between Rodolfo Gonzalez and Italy's Antonio Puddu, from the Island of Sardinia, where he prefers to fight, was the decider of that contest. In the tenth round the physician examined Puddu's badly busted-up left optic and determined that the eye would be better protected if the Italian took himself to the dressing room and called it a night.

Puddu came a long way to try for the World Boxing Council lightweight title. The official championship belongs to Roberto Duran, of Panama. Roberto seems to want to do all of his fighting on the Isthmus.

Puddu, who apparently was badly overrated by the Olympic matchmaking machinery, did not win a round.

A better fight resulted from the companion scrap. In this, local lightweight Jimmy Heair knocked out Tury Pineda, of Mexico City, in the fourth round.

Heair belongs in the lightweight argument but finds it difficult to get fights.

A left hook by Heair shook up the Mexican and a left ended the debate.

After the dual attraction, Don Chargin, Olumpic matchmaker, said he would arrange a fight between Gonzalez and Heair.

Duran will not fight Gonzalez in Los Angeles and Gonzalez will not fight Duran in Panama.

Duran's impression that he can go right on dictating scenes of action irks the WBA and the New York Commission, which has Duran and Esteban Jesus, or Duran and Ken Buchanan in action in Madison Square Garden.

The Gonzalez-Puddu affair saw Gonzalez achieve his peak. Gonzalez had Puddu on the floor in the second round.

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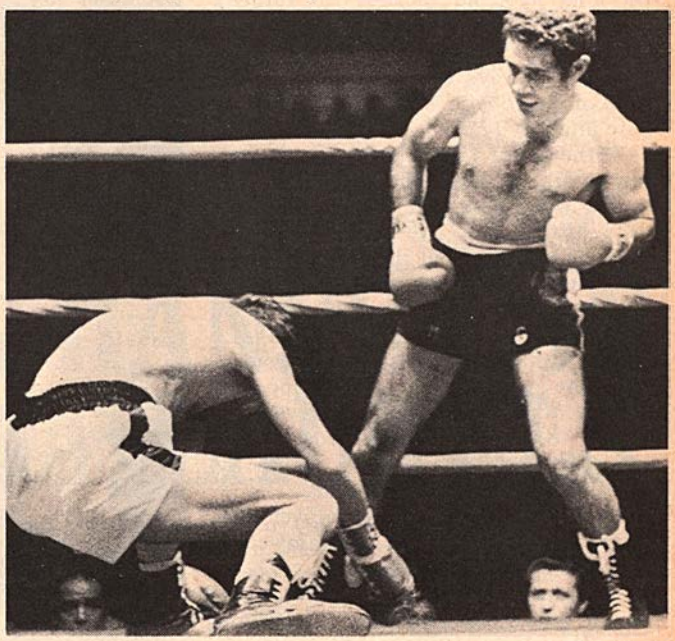
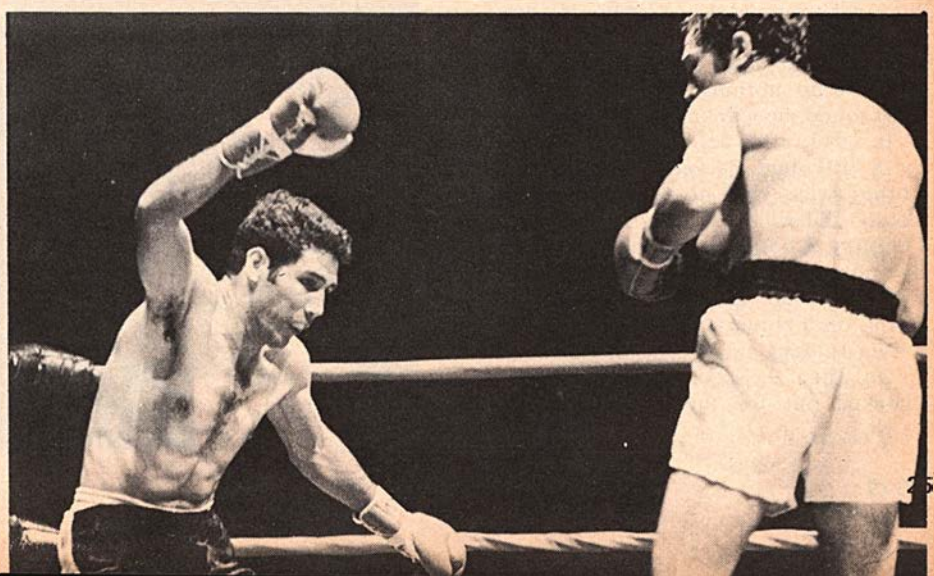
(Above) WBC lightweight king Rodolfo Gonzalez dodges a left and connects with a right to the cheek of Antonio Puddu during the 10th round of their scheduled 15-rounder in Los Angeles. The bout was halted by the commission physician after the 10th because Puddu's left eye was shut and his right eye cut. (Below) Puddu hits the canvas after being walloped by a Gonzalez right in the second round.



Gonzalez falls back against the ropes after slipping in the early going.



OLDTIME BANTAM KING COULON DIES

By PETER HELLER

MORE than 63 years after he captured the bantamweight championship of the world, Johnny Coulon died in Chicago at the age of 84. At the time of his death, Coulon was the oldest living ex-champion. He remained active in boxing almost to the end, when he was forced to be hospitalized.

Coulon, of Irish-French heritage, was born in Toronto, Canada, on February 12, 1889. He was three when his family moved to Chicago. Johnny's father was a piano manufacturer and a champion oarsman.

When Johnny was seven years old, his dad predicted he would grow up to become a world boxing champ.

In an interview I did with Johnny not too long ago, he recalled his father's prediction: "I'd be a small fellow, he said, but I'd be a champion – someday. To be truthful, I always was an acrobat, and I could do acrobatic stunts. My dad was quite interested in that."

At the age of 15, his father sent him to New York to learn how to box. His teacher was George McFadden, who had made history just five years before, in 1899, by knocking out the great Joe Gans in 23 rounds.

Johnny had 12 amateur fights in 1905, winning them all, 8 by KO. In 1906, as a teenage professional, he won 12. His first loss came in 1907 when he dropped a decision to Kid Murphy. However, on January 8, 1908, Johnny won partial recognition as bantamweight champ by defeating Murphy over 10 rounds.

There was always a dispute over this. Johnny insisted he was bantamweight champion after beating Murphy.

According to the Ring Record Book, Coulon didn't win universal recognition until March 6, 1910, when he knocked out Jim Kendrick at New Orleans in the 19th round.

Johnny talked about his fight with Kendrick. "I stopped him in 19 rounds. I just let him do what he wanted to do, and he chased me. I had a system, tire him, and then I'd start working him hard, see? They'd miss so much that they couldn't do nothing. They all tried to kill you, see? In the 19th round, he was knocked out."

In 1911, after defending the crown against Frankie Conley by a 20-round decision, and against former champ Harry Forbes twice, via a no-decision bout and later a 3-round K.O., Coulon did what probably no other champ has ever done. On February 3, 1912, he retained his crown in Vernon, California, by another 20-rounder over Conley. He then travelled to New Orleans, where he defended, in 20 rounds, against Frankie Burns on February 18. Coulon thus retained his title twice within 16 days, travelling 2,000 miles between bouts.

On June 9, 1914, Coulon lost the title when he was knocked out for the first time in his career, at Vernon,

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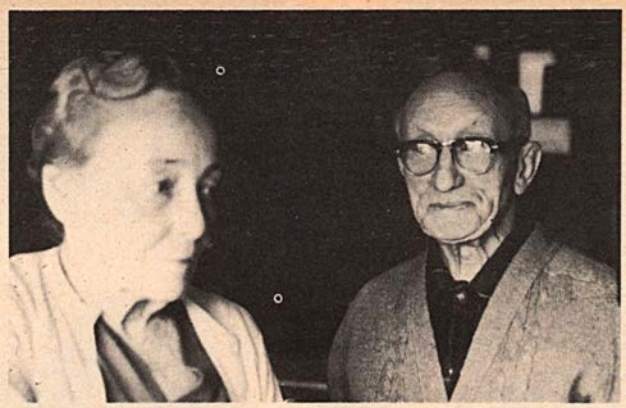
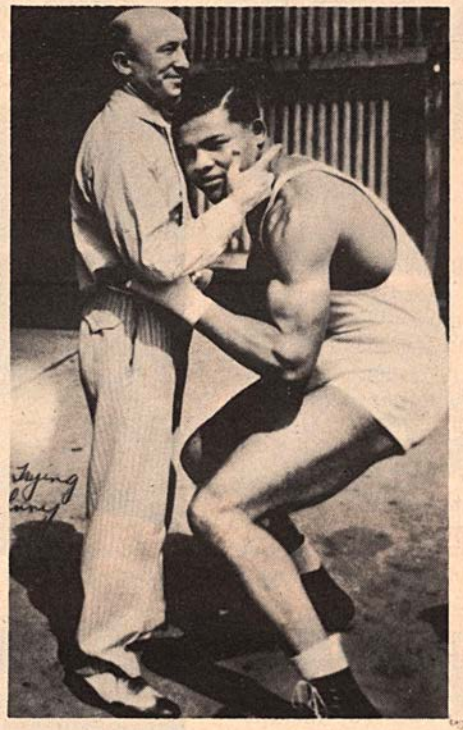




(Above) A photo of the late Johnny Coulon and his wife, Marie, taken in 1970. (Below left) Here is Joe Louis trying to lift Coulon, but, like everyone else who tried, the Brown Bomber couldn't do it. (Below right) Johnny puts on a playful sparring match with Charlie Chaplin back in the '20s.

This photo was taken in 1912. From left, Jim Jeffries, unknown boxer, Abe Attell and Coulon.

CHIONOI RETAINS FLYWEIGHT TITLE (WBA) VS. HANAGATA

By MANAS KIETTINIYOM

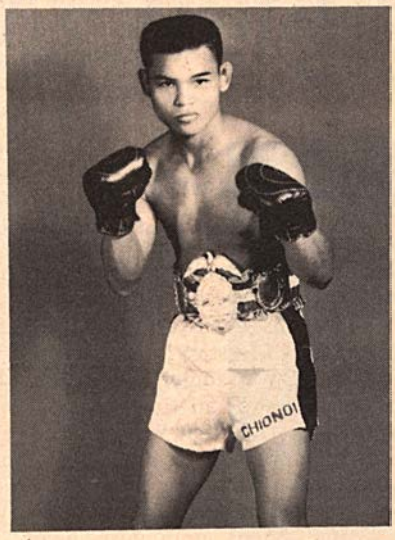
BANGKOK, THAILAND – Three-time world flyweight title-holder Charchai Chionoi retained the World Boxing Association flyweight championship by a unanimous decision over Susumu Hanagata, of Japan, in his first current title defense at Hua Mark Stadium.

Referee Enrique Jimenez of the Philippines gave the champion 72-66 while Japanese judge Ken Morita scored it 72-67 and Thai judge Sa-arn Chamnikarn carded the fight 73-69 points for Chartchai. Reuters gave Chartchai 72-68.

More than 20,000 partisans cheered the home boxer, who fought to the last second before Phaya Marn Nauvarajsavee, the King's representative.

Chartchai kneeled down at the final gong and lost consciousness for a minute after the bell. He recovered and received tremendous applause.

Chartchai's right eye was bleeding after round 10 while Hanagata's left eye was closed completely at the end of round 8. The Thai depended mostly on left jabs and body punches while the Japanese tried to score with combinations.



CHARTCHAI CHIONOI

Hanagata did well in the early rounds, but lost steam after round 3 when his left eye was bruised by the champ's left jabs and combination rights.

While the WBA recognized Chionoi as the division titleholder, The Ring calls the title vacant, with Betulio Gonzalez as the No. 1 contender.

The title debate doubtless would be settled in a meeting of Chionoi and Gonzalez. This, it would appear, is not likely to take place for some time, if at all, as Chartchai is based in Bangkok and Betulio operates out of Caracas.

The Chionoi-Hanagata fight was better than would appear from some of the scoring. The Japanese scrapper gave all he had, and so did the Thai. The cuts handicapped both men.

Gonzalez, who not so long ago beat Miguel Canto, would give Chionoi a good

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ARCARI STOPS HANSEN IN FIFTH FOR WBA LAURELS

By J. A. TREE

COPENHAGEN, Denmark – Joergen Hansen, game and aggressive disciple of the Battling Nelson school which that lightweight set up for Denmark, tried hard for the junior welterweight title as the WBA sees it. But he did not have enough power to prevail against Bruno Arcari, of Italy. Bruno stopped Hansen in the fifth round.

According to the mature and widely accepted judgment of The Ring, the junior welter title is held by Antonio Cervantes, of Columbia.

It is obvious that a Cervantes-Arcari fight would make a splendid embellishment to the 1974 fistic schedule.

In the meantime the WBA supports Arcari, and in that situation the Arcari victory over Hansen was important.

The Arcari defense against Hansen was not spectacular. Hansen apparently suffered the indignity of being booed by his own countrymen when he hit the deck in the fifth round and stayed there.

BRUNO ARCARI

There were 4,000 men in the K. B. Hall arena for the fight which was to make Joergen the WBA champion. But until Hansen hit the canvas, nothing of note happened.

In the fifth round Arcari twice sent the Dane to the deck. He got the mandatory eight and when he resumed fighting, Arcari forced Joergen to the ropes.

There the Italian punished Hansen badly.

Arcari's head and shoulders were outside the ring as he continued his attack.

French Referee Raymond Baldeyrou dashed over to break the tangle.

Arcari got himself free and with a solid right, sent the Dane to the floor.

A good many spectators believed that the referee was on his way to get Hansen free of the ropes.

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PUNCH LINES

WANTS AIR WAVES OPEN

FOOTBALL fans have accomplished a lot by hollering to Congress about closed circuit TV. We fight fans are left out in the cold. There is no reason why we can't get together and do some hollering ourselves. I suggest that Ring Magazine lead the protest concerning boxing and open up the air to those who can't afford to pay even the going rate for viewing big fights on closed circuit TV.

Hellmuth Frobisher
Philadelphia, Pa.

Editor's Note – We are with you. Get started with the support of a couple of your local congressmen and start hollering loud and clear.

ALI WAS FLOP IN SINGAPORE

The fight or exhibition bout by Clay here was a flop. He was able to bring less than 2000 to the national open air stadium which could hold 1000,000 people. Reasons: high priced tickets, and the fans here don't like exhibitions. They prefer the real thing. The promoters must have lost more than 60,000 Singapore dollars or about $27,000.

Little Nene
Singapore

NO LIKE RETURN MATCH

I was distressed upon hearing that Joe Frazier and Muhammad Ali had signed for a return match. I feel it was a mistake on their parts. Why? Let's look at their first bout. On March 8, 1971, Frazier and Ali met for the title. The fight was one of the best 15-rounders in history. It had everything but a KO. During the course of the fight both men were in danger of being stopped. Frazier was hurt in the 9th and Ali was staggered in the 11th and dropped in the 15th. Both fighters worked hard and did their best. Unfortunately, after the fight, neither fighter was the same. The fight drained Frazier and made him only half the fighter he had been, and Ali has declined ever since. In their more recent fights, Joe Frazier won a 12-rounder over Joe Bugner, Bugner suffered a knockdown in the 10th, and Ali won a 12-round revenge over Ken Norton. Ali also "fought" Rudi Lubbers but appeared only to put minimum effort into the bout. To put them into the ring together again would finish them for good. If after the fight Foreman does not give either of them an early title shot, I think Frazier and Ali should call it quits for good. They both have had great careers and have done a lot of boxing.

Carl Weingarten
St. Louis, Mo.

BOXING MOVES WITH TIME

In all sports, readers writing to magazine letter columns, such as Punch Lines, are forever discrediting athletes in order to praise their favorites. This, I feel, is not at all necessary; just because I feel that Sandy Saddler was the best featherweight of all time, that does not mean that I feel that Willie Pep, Vicente Saldivar, and other featherweight champions were "overrated bums." I do not feel that it is fair to compare athletes who competed 20 or more years apart. For example, if John L. Sullivan had been born in 1945 and was fighting today, he would have been a better fighter because he would have had the benefit of more modern training conditions. Boxers competing 20 years from now are going to have an edge on those competing today, because discoveries will have been made and training methods improved. When I am in my seventies (if, indeed, I live that long), I am not going to sit back in my rocking chair and say, "Muhammad Ali was superior to this young champion we have today;" whoever is world heavyweight champion in 2010; but I probably will say that if Mahammad were competing in 2010 and had the benefit of the same training facilities his chances would be just as good as the 2010 boxers, same as it might be if a Jack Dempsey or John L. Sullivan could have the benefit of the '60-'70 training facilities; I do wish fans would stop comparing athletes of different eras; it just is not fair, either to today's athletes or those of decades past.

Tommy Alvidrez
Ft. Worth, Texas

GIVE THE KIDS A CHANCE

The article, Four Philly Kids Moving Up Fast, was like a breath of fresh air moving through what would appear to be, increasingly ancient pages.

Sport in general and boxing in particularly, can not survive on a constant re-hash of the past. Our young fighters must be noticed and encouraged.

Ray Tudor
Collegeville, Pa.

FIGHT GAME IN ALASKA

I am sending you sports pages from the Anchorage paper to show you how fights are treated here and to show you some results.

You are not sending enough copies of The Ring to Alaska. You grab your copy the day it arrives because the next day it is a sellout.

We would like to have an arena big enough to hold boxing crowds. It will come in due time.

We would like to have boxing under legal restrictions. I am not familiar with the legalities of the situation and do not know how to go about it. Can you help?

I put on amateur shows here and you would not believe the response we get from the fans.

Sandy Daly
Duzinkie, Alaska.

Editor's Note – We suggest that you write to the chairman of the New York Commission, Edwin Dooley, at 226 West Forty Seventh Street, New York, N.Y.

LIKED THE GREB PIECE

Your November issue in which Dr. Ross presents the Harry Greb story deserves many words of commendation. The colorful career of Greb never ceases to add continual enthusiastic interest to the history of the fight game. Boxing is the only sport left today in the news that attracts my attention. Over the past 65 years my interest in all other spectator events has dwindled practically to zero.

Having been born and reared in New Castle, Pa., where Jimmy Dime maintained what was then the world's largest stable of fighters, undoubtedly accounts for my present interest in boxers; it was my privilege to know and associate with such fellows as Tony Ross, Dan Dailey, Tom McMahon, the Chip brothers, Joe and George, Battling Terry, Babe Picato, Tommy Jones and Patsy Brannigan. Most interesting biographies could be written about each one of those "boys". The Greb article credits George Chip with a KO over Harry in an early fight and if my memory isn't tricking me, permit me to state that to Joe Chip should go credit for the only "KO" loss by Greb. The Chip family were next-door neighbors on Blaine Street and both George and Joe were personal friends of mine.

Joe was an especially tough-looking character not only because of those bulging rock-like muscles but that wild visage with dark blue scars suffered from injuries by heavy chunks of falling coal when he worked as a youngster in the anthracite regions of Penna.

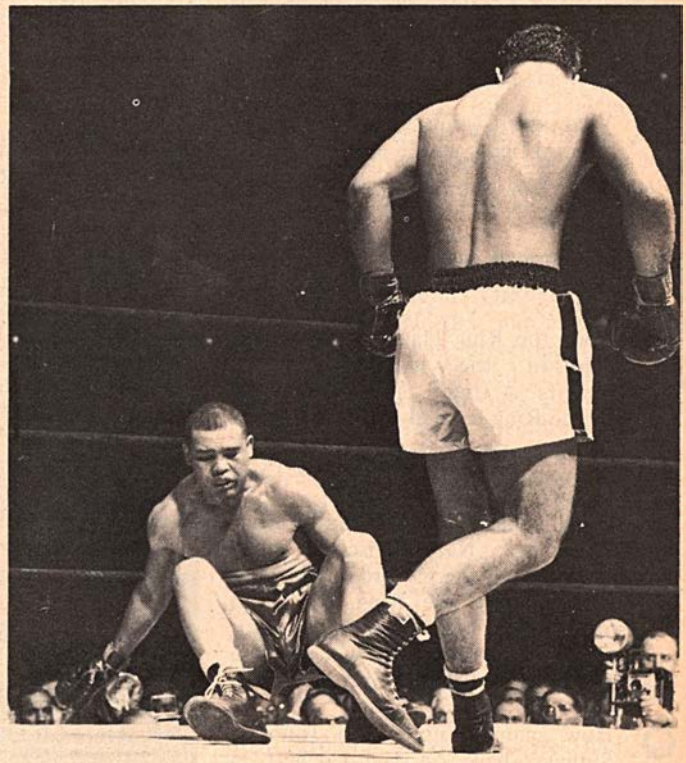
Don M. Mitchell
Lincoln City, Ore.

INSIDE THE ROPES *with* *Ruby Goldstein*

MOST of my columns have been devoted to title bouts in which I was the referee. This one will be slightly different—it's about a non-title bout, specifically the one between Joe Louis and Rocky Marciano at Madison Square Garden on October 26, 1951. When I halted the bout in the eighth round and awarded a technical KO to Marciano, you could hear a pin drop. Talk about a sad night, this was it.

The Marciano rooters and those who wagered on Rocky remained silent. No shouts or applause could be heard. In almost any case the winner of a big fight will raise his arms overhead, dance or shuffle his feet in a very jubilant manner. Not that evening. Rocky seemed as sad and silent as the rest. As a referee leaves the ring after a bout, people filing out of the arena are likely to make some remark sometimes complimentary and at times not. This night I only heard words like tough, terrible, heartbreaking. This has happened before and will again for as long as there are decent and sentimental people, which there always will be. When I was much younger I watched Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig when they were past their heyday. It was very hard to swallow. It gets much harder when one gets older. You begin to realize that you will slip as well some day whether you are a sports participant or just a spectator.

Now to get back to Joe and Rocky. Both were fine human beings and great fighters. Joe had slipped and Rocky was coming on. The bell rang for round one, both boys came to the center of the ring. Louis started his left jab. With him it was more than just a jab. If he got close enough to you this was almost tantamount to a solid left hook. I've seen him stagger or knock down an opponent. Often he'd have your nose, eye or mouth bleeding after one of these. Everyone was aware of this and Rocky in particular. He was trying to brush away this punch or crouch beneath it. I soon detected that Joe's jab was not the same. In the past he'd fire it five or six times in succession like pistons. Now it were coming in ones and twos. In the meantime, Rocky was avoiding most of these and was countering with hard blows to the body. After a couple of rounds, he continually kept backing Joe against the ropes and flailing away with both hands. True, he missed quite a few but those that landed were causing considerable damage. In the eighth round, Rocky was really throwing them, a hard left hook and overhand right and Louis was down. I started the count. He didn't look too well to me. He hit the canvas like a tired man. I've been in bouts when younger boys, upon being knocked down, have a sort of spring in them, sort of in a hurry to get right up. As a matter of fact many jumped to their feet too fast, henceforth the mandatory count came into being. At about the count of six I waved my arms in the air indicating that the fight was over, thus awarding Marciano a TKO win. No objections by anyone whatsoever. The following day I received a phone call from Irv Kupcinet, the well known columnist in Chicago, inquiring as to why I didn't let the count go to ten. I told him that my mind was made up that I wouldn't let Louis continue had he gotten up. All it meant was it now is listed as a TKO. Had I gone to ten it would go down in the record book as a KO. I thought it was far better to give his handlers a few extra seconds to get to Joe and administer aid.



The end is near for Joe Louis as he hits the floor via a left from Rocky Marciano in the eighth round of their bout. Referee Ruby Goldstein stopped the contest a few moments later.

As I wrote at the outset, it was a real sad night. Louis was really a tradition. I don't know who originated the saying, but it certainly is true, you can't go on forever.

I learned the next day that I came close to not getting the assignment to referee the bout. With few exceptions it was practically taken for granted that the referee who is given the job as counting for the knockdowns during the preliminary bouts will referee the main event. One of Louis' handlers saw me there and went looking for a boxing commissioner to inform him that if Ruby Goldstein was to be the referee, the fight would not come off. The commissioner at once ran down to the first row where Commission Chairman Bob Christenberry was sitting and informed him of what he might expect. Mind you, I was not a witness to any of this as I was at ringside prepared to count if any boy hit the floor. However I heard this from a reliable person.

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Q & A QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q. What was Cassius Clay's weight in the two fights with Ken Norton?

Label Munzinger
Brooklyn, N.Y.

A. **Muhammad weighed 217 I-4 at San Diego and 212 at Inglewood.**

Q. Does the Ring Magazine rate Jack Johnson the greatest of all heavyweights? A friend of mine insists he saw it in the Ring Record Book.

Alvin Dorsey
Baltimore, Md.

A. **Once again, the Johnson matter. The late Nat Fleischer rated Johnson No. I, in the Record Book. That did not say that the Ring had rated Johnson No. I. Maybe he was right, maybe he wasn't. The Ring will rate the heavies in the not distant future.**

Q. How many pounds did John L. Sullivan have on Jim Corbett in 1892 when Corbett stopped John in New Orleans?

James Kelly
St. Louis, Mo.

A. **Sullivan's weight was announced as 212 pounds, Corbett's weight was only 178. Fitzsimmons weighed only 167 when he stopped Corbett. Mitchell weighed only 158 pounds, when he was knocked out by Corbett.**

Q. In Nat Fleischer's book about Benny Leonard, does the lightweight champion admit that he fouled Jack Britton intentionally? Is there a signed confession by Jack Johnson that he faked the Willard fight?

Anthony Faleone
Boston, Mass.

A. **Leonard never discussed the Britton foul in a book or in an interview which admitted that he had fouled Britton intentionally. There is a Johnson confession in the Ring office. Could be the confession was a fake.**

Q. How many football stars became professional fighters?

William Griffith
Philadelphia, Pa.

A. **Steve Hamas, Billy Soose, Jack Munroe (non-college). Charley Powell, among others.**

Q. I note that both Joe Gans and Terry McGovern are in the Hall of Fame. I believe that it has been admitted generally that Gans took a dive against McGovern in Chicago on December 13, 1900, Gans taking a nap in two rounds. How can McGovern or Gans qualify for the Hall of Fame?

Randall Jennings
London, England

A. **It was reported that Gans took a dive. The Record Book says that McGovern scored a knockout in two rounds. The voters had to go by the record. Neither McGovern nor Gans ever figured in any other questionable fight and we cannot assume that the one in Chicago was a fake. Terry hit hard enough to stop Gans, if Joe was out of condition, which he was more than often.**

Q. I just have bought a copy of the Ring Record Book, and much to my surprise I find that records of many greats of the past have been left out. Why is this? I have been watching fights for 50 years and merely reading the old records gives me a thrill.

Frank Principe
New York, N.Y.

A. **Frank, do you realize how big the Record Book would be if all the old timers were included? The Record Book has more than 800 pages and does not intend to carry the records of every fighter of any note since the days of Figg. The problem cannot be solved unless the book runs to 1500 pages and the price goes up to about $20. In short, it cannot be done.**

Q. Back in 1860 there was a fight in England between John Heenan of the U.S. and Tom Sayers, of Britain. The book says they fought 42 rounds to a draw. I have an old record book which insists that Heenan won the fight and a gang of roughs from Birmingham tore down the ropes while Sayers was getting a bad beating. What really happened?

Carl Blickendorf
Kiel, Germany

A. **Sayers, greatly outweighed, made a grand whowing. The great Thackeray did a piece about the fight and called it a draw. Actually there was no official finish and, of a fact, the ring was torn down. The record says it was a draw. Let us leave it that way. It was Sayers' last fight. When the fight ended Heenan was getting the better of it.**

Q. What is the real name of Beau Jack? Is he actually a shine boy in Miami Beach?

Jacob Reznik
Miami Beach, Fla.

A. **Beau Jack's real name is Sidney Walker and he is the shine boy at the Fontainebleau Hotel at Miami Beach.**

Q. I say that Stan Ketchel was beaten only by Jack Johnson. True or false?

Hazen Bird
Butte, Mont.

A. **Ketchel was beaten by Johnson, KO 12, Billy Papke, KO 12 and Maurice Thompson, decision 10.**

Q. You have referred to the Billy Papke tragedy several times. I have looked in the library for details in the big newspapers of the time—1936—and have found no details of the double shooting. Is the Ring going to dig out the details?

Casey Dominick
Philadelphia, Pa.

A. **The Ring eventually will come up with the details of Papke's shooting his wife and then shooting himself. California sources have failed to come up with the story.**

Q. Is it true that there was a 185-round bare knuckle fight in a mining camp around the 1860's. I do not find this fight in any record book and am interested in the details.

Revere Butterworth
Chelsea, Mass.

A. **Yes, there was a 185-round fight. The men wore gloves. The details are given in a book title "The Frightful Punishment," by Warren J. Brier, University of Montana head of the School of Journalism.**

Q. I am puzzled by the appearance of Tommy Burns among the official heavyweight champions. How did this come about?

Harry Levine
Oakland, Cal.

A. **When Jim Jeffries retired in 1905 he decided that he owned the heavyweight title and could give it away. He named Hart and Root to fight it out for the title. Neither was championship class. Hart beat Root and Burns beat Hart, and that's how Burns got to be the champion. Johnson beat Burns, Willard beat Johnson and Dempsey beat Willard. Then the heavyweight situation came to life.**

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

THERE'S going to be a big dinner for Gene Tunney, and Jack Dempsey... Strange it wasn't thought of long ago... Madison Square Garden, with John Cordon chief operative, will be behind the fiesta... Where is the ballroom big enough for the dinner?.. In the Garden?.. No, Chumley... One of those things was tried years ago and was a flop for food and a bust for talk...

A Republican governor in New Jersey may mean something to that state's direction of boxing.

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"Now That You Mention It!"

That's the name of the book written by retired Major General, United States Marine Corps Reserve, Mel Krulewitch, the man who once was a chairman of our State Athletic Commission and who now practices law, writes and travels... That's the title of the opus by the General, published by Quadrangle–The New York Times Book Co. ($6.95).

That was the reason why many of our finest New York citizens were among those present at the cocktail party in the Times Building to add class to the literary occasion... Sydney Gruson, Senior Vice President of the New York Times, was there and spoke of the General. So did R. Burdell Bixby, former law partner of the late Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, who is chairman of the N.Y. State Thruway Authority, and James A. Farley, Jr.

It's a very interesting story of Mel's life as he talks of the horrors of Belleau Wood, the agonies of Saipan, the Korean war and Israel's battle to get started and live...and his appointment to the Athletic Commission by Gov. Nelson Rockefeller...

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While on the subject of additions to the library, let's also recommend "In This Corner" by Peter Heller, the story as told personally by 40 former world champions, published by Simon and Schuster, with an introduction by Muhammad Ali... This one sells at $10... Heller travelled all over the country to get these stories from the fighters' mouths... Heller is affiliated with the ABC TV network...

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Our sportscaster pal, Don Dunphy, and former two-time heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson, who are teamed up at the weekly Felt Forum fights, are happy with their new assignment... These weekly shows, sponsored by Cable TV, can be seen in the Pennsylvania area, in New York locales like Ithaca, Babylon and Mount Vernon, and expect eventually to go into New York homes... It seems to us like only yesterday when radio was first introduced and then along came TV...

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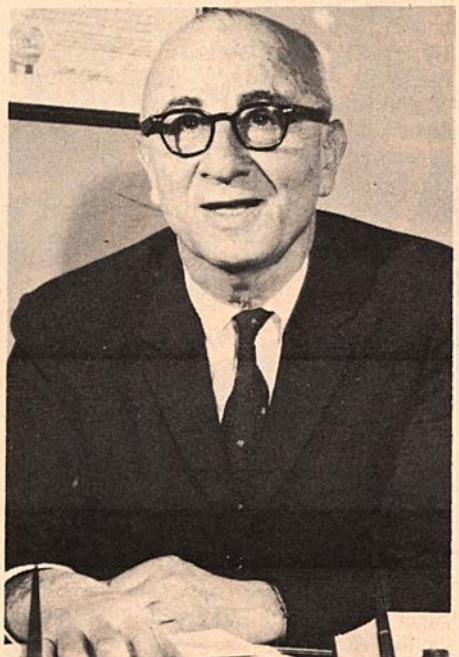
Sunnyside Garden, the last of the local



GEN. MELVIN KRULEWITCH

fistic clubs, has gone the way of the others... The Long Island Arena was the last of the small local clubs to function... We have had a few shows up Harlem way, like the Audubon, but they have also disappeared... With the advent of TV many of our smaller clubs folded... We remember Ridgewood Grove, Broadway Arena, St. Nicholas, Jamaica, and Eastern Parkway... There were others before them... Maybe as many as 100 in 50 years...All gone!

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Willie Pep, great little feather king, who also became a memoirs man, his book called "Friday's Heroes," is back in harness again in Hartford, Conn. Twice denied a referee's license, the "will-o'-the-wisp" has been given a post by the State Consumer Protection Dept. and will be affiliated with the department's boxing division... The former king recently returned from a trip to London to exploit his production and was warmly received.

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Boxing was saddened at the news of the passing of several of its veterans.. One was Johnny Attell, old time matchmaker and promoter, who presented many of our former stars. He died at the age of 75... He had retired only a short time before and became a member of Ruby Goldstein's Ring #8 in New York... Attell handled public relations for the ABC Freight Forwarding Co. The Little New Yorker, who joined the Merchant Marine as a mere youngster, had quite a career in the boxing world when we had oodles of great fighters and many, many boxing arenas.

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Johnny LoBianco, one of our commission referees, has been quite a man around boxing... He had his amateur baptism in 1932 when he started as a bantam... Had about 60 bouts, of which he lost six... Turned pro in 1935 and retired in 1937... Had only 24 fights, winning 20, losing 3 and one draw. His problem was bad hands... His manager was Pat Racana and his trainers were Tony Tomacci and Freddie Fierro.

In 1940 Johnny became interested in coaching. He became associated with the Flushing YMCA as a volunteer boxing coach which helped him considerably later on. Was employed by the Grumman Aircraft plant on Long Island, his associate being the late Lou (Peanuts) Barbetta. In those days they put on many shows for the armed forces with bouts at Camp Upton, Camp Dix, the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and the Merchants Marine at Sheepshead Bay where the late light heavyweight champion, Bob Olin, was also stationed.

Johnny started refereeing in 1949 for the AAU and was with them until 1954... Refereed every Golden Glove Final plus all Eastern Championship tournaments... In 1954, Johnny was

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ALI SAYS HIS CONDITION IS AMAZING, VICTORY SURE

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Square Garden I'll be just as sharp and as fast as the young fellow who won the world heavyweight championship.

I never really believed that I could ever train myself back into that kind of condition. It's really a reincarnation or whatever you call it.

My new camp is responsible. It gives me the peace I need. I like people but when you're training for a hard fight people can only distract and bother. I have to get away from people. That's why a real camp is so important. Fighting is a matter of concentration.

Joe Frazier represents a goal for me. I don't even look beyond him. I have to teach him a lesson and the only way to do it is to give him a solid whupping. I'm sure he feels the same way about me.

I'm not sure he'll ever get over the beating he took from me. As for me, I'm more flexible.

I will win because I'm the better fighter and always was. In his heart Joe Frazier knows this. But Joe has courage and stamina and it will be a tough, hard fight and there can be only one winner.

In our 1971 fight I hurt Joe far more than the judges and the referee realized. He went from the Garden to a hospital and he stayed there for some time.

The story was "athlete's kidney."

Well, it could have been a kidney, it could have been a sound beating.

Some of the experts said "Ali can't hit." Frazier knows that Ali CAN hit.

I don't like to whup a guy so bad that he has to go to a hospital for weeks.

But the job lies plain before me. I have to win this fight and win it I will.

INSIDE THE ROPES

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When advised of this Christenberry calmly replied, "I don't see how anyone could object to Goldstein. If he has a good reason let him tell it. If Goldstein doesn't referee I may call the whole thing off."

By this time a couple of Garden representatives and Deputy Boxing Commissioners were in Louis' dressing room inquiring as to why the objection to Goldstein. Joe's representative used words of praise for me but he thought that perhaps it might prey on Joe's mind that I voted for Joe Walcott in the Louis bout and this might affect Joe. Louis heard all this discussion and once again showed his class. He ended the entire discussion by exclaiming, "Stop all this nonsense, let Ruby referee." Nice guy that Joe.

TAYLOR NEW BANTAM CHAMP IN LONG COUNT WITH ANAYA

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Anaya here did a Dempsey. He failed to go to a neutral corner. He gave Taylor a gorgeous gift. This was a 16-second rest and it was highly appreciated by the eventual winner.

Thus did the bantams acquire a Long Count incident of their own.

Taylor was in constant jeopardy after the tenth. Anaya kept after him and time and again led to the belief that the Africander could not last 15 rounds.

If Anaya had not lost the title he would have been forced to think of invading the feathers. He was overweight and had to get down to 118 within an hour. He just about made it.

Taylor had no trouble making the weight.

Anaya soon challenged Taylor to another fight. But before Anaya gets his chance Taylor will have to talk to Rafael Herrera, Venice Borkorsor and a few others.

Anaya and Taylor had just about the most action-filled struggle to be found in bantamweight history. Here was a fight which the old timers could not match.

Taylor would have lost the fight in New York or London in the eighth when he was decked three times. But South Africa has no three-deck rule. Lucky for Arnold.

ARCARI STOPS HANSEN IN FIFTH FOR WBA LAURELS

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But Baldeyrou counted the essential ten.

It was hard to find out if the fans were booing the referee, or giving the Bronx cheer to Hansen. Maybe a 50-50 split yielded the turth.

Hansen made a valiant effort at the WBA title but he hardly was in the Italian's class.

Arcari was fast with his hands but did not appear to be a knockout specialist.

Acrcari's being a southpaw bothered Hansen very much.

Arcari set a financial record for the junior welter class with a payday of $100,000.

The junior welter situation offers two good attractions for Panama – Arcari vs. Tony Cervantes, the division champion, and Arcari vs. Alfonso Frazer, a banger highly rated by The Ring.

How the WBC could support the Arcari-Hansen fight as being for its title was a mystery since Hansen came in over the weight limit for junior welters, which is 140.

TO YOUR SEATS FOR ACT II OF JOE VS. ALI

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Joe Frazier's star dimmed when he blew his title and was pounded out early by big bad George Foreman. Ali's star shrunk behind a cloud when he was humiliated by underrated Kenny Norton. His star almost shattered when the ex-Marine broke Ali's jaw.

We wonder just how far each fighter has retrogressed, which has lost more of his former talents?

This fight will be the key. Has Joe lost it all? Is Ali washed up? Will it be a double knockout and finish both their careers?

The intermission is over, boxing fans. Return to your seats. Act Two is about to start. This one could have a surprise ending.

CHIONOI RETAINS FLYWEIGHT TITLE (WBA) VS. HANAGATA

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fight. He might even beat the Thai.

Gonzalez' class was demonstrated in an easy success against Miguel Canto.

Henry Nissen would put Australia into the argument if he were not always on the edge of retirement to devote himself to his men's shop, where he does exceedingly well.

LYLE NO LIKE DRAW ● DECISION VS. PERALTA ●

By MIKE HAYES

FRANKFORT, Germany — A disappointed and frustrated Ron Lyle said his recent draw with Gregorio Peralta "only makes me more determined to reach my goals in boxing."

The ranked Denver heavyweight, who had already scored a convincing 10-round victory over Peralta last May 12, controlled the rematch here, especially over the final five rounds of action. However, the official verdict was a draw.

The crowd of 5,000 at the Festhalle, who had been cheering their local favorite, Peralta, felt Lyle had won and booed the decision once it was announced. The German boxing officials refused to publicly announce the official judges' scores. The Associated Press had Lyle ahead by a 6-3-1 margin.

So, it goes down in the record book as a draw verdict, thus making Lyle's record 26-1-1, with 19 knockout victories. Peralta, who has gone 20 rounds with world heavyweight champion George Foreman, is now 93-9-9, with 56 KO's.

After the fight Lyle expressed his disappointment to sportswriters from all over Europe. Ron weighed 212, Peralta 200.

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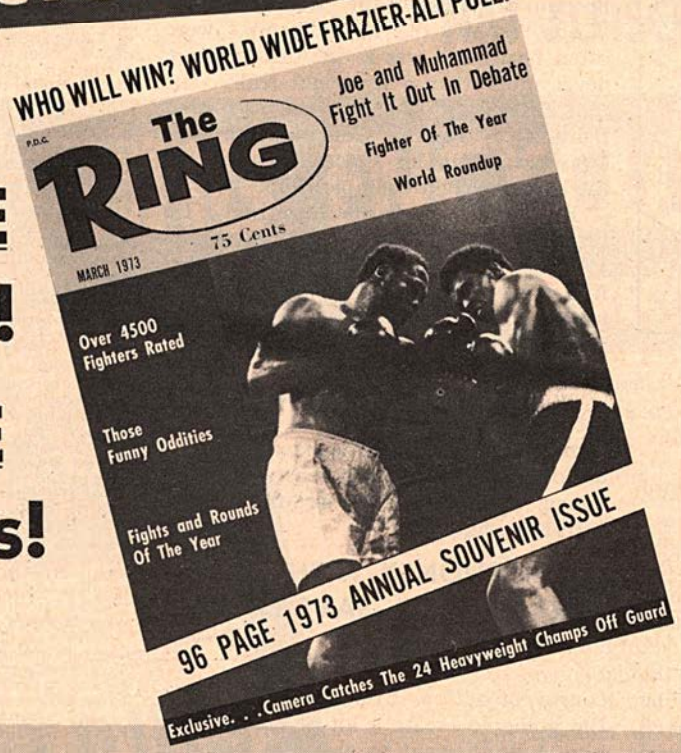

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OLDTIME BANTAM KING COULON DIES

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California, by Kid Williams in the third round.

In regard to the KO by Williams, Johnny said, "They just stopped the fight. But I'd boxed him in New York, Madison Square Garden, previously, and I beat him decisively."

Johnny retired, then returned to the ring two years later, in 1916. In 1917 he entered the Army, where he served through World War One as a physical instructor.

In 1920, after his tour in the Army, he boxed in Europe, retiring after being stopped by Charles Ledoux. Of 96 recorded fights, Coulon won 56, 24 by KO, drew 4 times, fought 32 no-decision bouts, and lost just 4 times.

In 1923, Johnny and his wife, Marie, opened their physical training gym in Chicago. From 1926 through the 1950's, he also promoted boxing, and toured the country in vaudeville, doing his famous act, in which he challenged anyone to lift his 110-pound body off the floor.

By placing his finger lightly on the neck of the person trying to lift him, Johnny exerted some secret force, which made it impossible for him to be lifted.

For years Johnny mystified audiences, scientists, and skeptics with the act. Everyone from Dempsey to Louis to Carnera tried. No one succeeded.

When I visited with Johnny a couple of years ago at his gym in Chicago, when he was still active in the management of former junior welter champ Eddie Perkins, I arrived a skeptic, but went away convinced. Johnny had me lift him, which I did with ease. Then he had me try again, but this time he rested his index finger ever so lightly on my neck. I couldn't budge him! It was quite an experience. Of this uncanny ability to prevent anyone from lifting him, Johnny told me: "I've had the strongest, I've had weightlifters, fellows that would lift 465 pounds of weight, but they didn't lift me up. I don't know what I did. The doctors didn't know. The stronger the fellow that come, the better I did."

Johnny was well known in Chicago. As he and I walked the streets in the "Loop," shouts of "Hiya, champ," were often heard. He was a fine little champ, never more than a flyweight really, but that division didn't exist when he started fighting, so Johnny Coulon often gave away weight in his successful quest for the bantamweight championship.

But Johnny made one big mistake. He turned down a chance to manage a 19-year-old fighter by the name of Henry Armstrong. Hammerin' Hank recalled the incident with Coulon when he was just a youngster: "We went to Chicago. When we got to Chicago we went to Johnny Coulon's Gym and we offered Coulon, because we'd heard about him, my contract for nothing. He practically told us to get out of the gym, that I was too young, wouldn't make it as a fighter, and everything like that."

ALI A PHONEY WITH PUNCH AND TONGUE, SAYS FRAZIER

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course of action. Everyone knows that I'm going to create a lot of pressure for him. I don't want to give him as much time as I did in 1971. If he looks to rest on the ropes, I'll just keep on working.

I've changed too since our first fight. I'm a little older but I'm also a little wiser. I have never felt better physically and things come easier for me now. I'm putting things together better than I ever have. I used to have to think about getting off certain punches or combinations. Now they come by instinct. I don't have to think in there as much as I used to. It's a good feeling and I don't tire like I used to.

Naturally, I expect a tough fight from Clay. We both have a lot of pride and in a fight like this, pride certainly is a factor. But he knows that he can't con me and he'll have to do it on ability. How much ability he still has, I don't know. He'll be at his best but it won't be good enough.

I've been asked by reporters if I will quit if I lose to Clay. I just don't consider the possibility of losing. And there are too many things for me to do before I consider retirement.

I have lost only one fight and really haven't taken serious punishment. I've had some tough fights physically but this isn't ping-pong and if you can't take it, you'd better quit. I'm still young and strong and have no thoughts of quitting.

JERSEY'S CHAMP ROSA GIVES AIDOO BEATING

By RONNIE "BURNS" BOUSE

NORTH BERGEN, N.J.—The local fall boxing season got off in fine fashion with Paterson's Mario Rosa putting his state crown on the block against the hard punching KO artist George "King" Aidoo, who hails from Voux Hall by the way of—Ghana.

Rosa once again demonstrated that he is the most improved battler in the area: (A), he won the title against Lenny Harden, winning 12 out of 12 rounds; (B), winning 12 out of 12 when he won over tough Jose Chirino; (C), he pitched a shutout against "King" Aidoo before halting him in the ninth in a torrid battle.

A four rounder saw the transplanted Ghanain try to wage a fast pace only to be pasted in the face and body with a barrage of left, and rights from the Paterson battler and at times seemed utterly confused with his foe's southpaw style. And so it went round after Rosa with his flashing rights and lefts raining on his opponents Toro's. The start of the ninth saw Rosa all out. He cornered the "King" and rained about a dozen blows without a return which prompted referee Paul Venti to halt the mess.

In a wild six round semi-wild Bill Carlson, 222, Dumont, survived a knockdown in the first to win over Hugo Valasquez, 208, NYC, by decision.

Another six saw Hugo Velasquez, 140, New York, win in two when he inflicted a deep cut over Leo Randolph, 137, NYC.

Bayonne's pride and joy Larry Gillio, 156, making his pro debut bombed out New Yorker Jimmy Hall, 156, in a thriller. Another four ended early when Roy Taylor, 135, NYC, belted Newark's Ray Thomas, 135, out of the ring in the third.

▲**LINDEN, N.J.**—An exciting amateur boxing show was staged in the gym of Linden High School under the direction of State AAU Officials Ray Hoagland and Joe Lo Vista. This show was held with the proceeds to go to a local charity and was well attended. The results;—

118 pounds—Pete Mass, Middletown B.C. won decision over J. Simpson, Eliz, Rec.

148 pounds—Julio Garcia won over Consentino, Roselle (Garcia wins Outstanding Trophy Award)

147 pounds—F. Stueber, Eliz., lost decision to A. Boynton, Middletown B.C.

147 pounds—E. Yeye, Middletown B.C. Kayo's E. Glinsky, Linden.

160 pounds—A. Poulos, Roselle, decision over D. Boehimer, Union.

165 pounds—B. Vancio, Roselle, Kayo's G. Joannides, Elizabeth.

165 pounds—G. Coursen, Eliz., decision over B. Vancio, Roselle.

175 pounds—R. Arminio, Roselle, decisioned M. Fiorillo, Eliz.

Heavyweight—M. Torino, Roselle, decisioned Henry Krautter, Eliz.

▲**LITTLE FERRY, N.J.**—Ring nine, N.V.B.A., of Bergen and Passaic Counties held its Annual Dinner at Vecchiarello's. Many fistic celebs attended. Frank "Chico" Doyle of the famous N.J. Doyle Brothers who is the current leader of this chapter presented Abe J. Greene, World and State of New Jersey Boxing Commissioner to the large crowd as the keynote Speaker, "Greene stated we must continue to dedicate ourselves for better and improved conditions for boxers and ex-boxers" and lauded the many ex-boxers of ring-nine who teach and work with children. Distinguished Service Plaque's were awarded to Fitzie Pruden, Former Canadian Welter Champ, and World Ranked Contender of the Late 40's and 50's, Alex Doyle, N.J., Hall of Famer who boxed five world champions in his heyday, Charles Witten, Former Boxer, Trainer, and Song Writer whose career began over sixty years ago, and Lenny Kommit and Phil Levine two of the club's hardest workers.

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DeJESUS BEATS MAYON ● BUT HAS TO GO LIMIT ●

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico—There was a big fight with a good turnout at the Clemente Stadium. Puerto Rico had a chance to see its candidate for the world lightweight title Esteban De Jesus. He failed those who looked for him to stop Miguel Mayon, of San Diego.

Esteban beat Mayon for the undivided decision after the ten rounds.

The turnout was fine but it could have been closer to the expected 10,800.

De Jesus still is waiting for developments re a match with Ronerto Duran, the World Champion.

▲Junior lightweight Alfredo Escalera danced to the tune of bongo drums before proceeding to take a unanimous ten round decision over Panamanian Antonio Amaya. Not content with hamming it before the fight Alfredo proceeded to taunt and grin at his opponent throughout the encounter.

He showed little regard for Amaya's prestige and experience and had him in trouble in the 4th and seventh rounds. The Panamanian—fought well in the early rounds and held his own in the last three but faltered badly in the middle rounds. Escalera's heavier punching power was the deciding factor in this one.

The semi-final was a twelve rounder (believe it or not) between Dominicans Miguel Montilla and Carlos Gil. This one was for the lightweight title of Santo Domingo and Montilla received and unpopular but unanimous verdict.

In a ten rounder Junior lightweight Benjamin Ortiz started out like a house-a-fire, dropping his Panamanian rival Enrique Alonson in the early part of the first round. Alonso weathered the storm and was ahead on points when the referee decided to call a halt at 2:58 of the seventh because of a cut eye suffered by Ortiz. Alonso's fast hands were a little too much for the ever-aggressive Ortiz.

Former Olympic titleholder Luis Negron avenged the only defeat on his record when he scored decisively over Eduardo Trinidad in eight. Negron looked good despite being handicapped from the second round on by an injured right hand.

In the opening bout of the evening Dominican feather Manny Marrero took an exciting eight round decision over local Willie Carrasco.

▲Boxing in Puerto Rico has shown tremendous growth in the last few years.

Quantity and quality wise this increase has overshadowed big so-called fight centers like New York, Los Angeles, Mexico and Tokyo as far as overall increase is concerned. Right now there are few fight centers of the import of Puerto Rico. San Juan right now is in a better position to support a big fight than Caracas or Madrid. You could not, under any stretch of the imagination, consider charging twenty five dollars for a ringside seat in any of these cities, unless it was for a title match. In Puerto Rico you can get away with it. People here protest but they pay.

Most of this credit logically, has to go to a couple of guys named Pedro. Pedro Aponte and Pedro Montano. Both have promoted pretty regularly in the last few years and in the process have been influential in building up new talent.

They took a page out of the local basketball league by bringing in some Newyorkcans but have been more successful with imports from the Dominican Republic. So much so that a recent Dominican title match was celebrated here in Puerto Rico.

However the picture has a dark side. We have grown up from a promotional aspect but we are still in knee pants from a supervisory and organizational aspect. The weak link is related to the principally to the people that control the mechanics of the Sport; The Park And Recreation Administration. This division has loose control over the sport. There does not seem to be an efficient supervisory head man who knows what this sport is about or who can make drastic decisions when they are necessary.

Where else can you find a boxing second throwing punches in the ring against his fighters opponent and not get suspended? Or a fighter whose handler has one of his gloves cut open with a razor to gain additional respite after a stormy round and instead of disqualifying him the bout is allowed to continue after a change of gloves? Or three or four men working in a corner? Ironically enough all of these incidents mentioned occurred during one bout.

GERMAN HEAVY CHAMPION ● QUITS IN HEALTH DISPUTE ●

By JIM SIMMONS

BERLIN, GERMANY — In boxing things look pretty bleak in Germany. In every division there is a lack of professional fighters. The Federation of German Professional Fighters, lists a total of 15 active licensed boxers. In some divisions there are no fighters at all and therefore no champions.

Only this can explain that boxers, who ten years ago would have been third rate, run around proudly with the belt and call themselves "champion".

Only because there are no opponents are they champions. In the heavyweight division there are all of four! These catastrophic circumstances can be blamed on the Federation itself, because it has never done anything systematic to further young talent.

Now the German heavyweight champ Horst Benedens, has been forced to hang up his gloves, although he tried to continue fighting even by pressure, that he would go to civil courts. But the long due count "Out!" came for him. The Federation had found through its doctors, that the champ had brain damage. Benedens fought this decision and produced medical testimony that showed him to be fully fit for fighting and without any brain damage. So it went back and forth showing how good medical findings are and that everything in this world can be manipulated.

After 6 months, during which the BdB proved to be rather helpless, both parties agreed to have a final medical authority examine the champ and that this decision would be accepted by both parties.

In the meantime, Benedens had probably realized, that he was unable to fight and that another fight would be detrimental to his health. When he did not show up for the agreed examination, the BdB stripped him of his title and professional license.

That is why the heavyweight title in Germany is vacant at the time. Most likely, Arno Prick, Hamburg, and Hartmut Sasse, will fight in Hamburg for the title. However, regardless of who will win the title—he will only be a champion because there are no opponents for him to fight.

Sasse did his fighting as an amateur and has 12 fights as a pro. However, these fights were staged against totally unknown opponents from other countries. His manager, who was also the promoter of the fights, somehow was successful in getting "fall guys" as opponents, who hit the canvas after a few hard blows. The spectators felt cheated and protested. Scandals followed. But the BdB remained inactive and silent.

It is time for the officials of the German Federation to forsake its unrealistic, nostalgic views and endeavor to create better and more progressive conditions for its fighters. The writer will report on the progress.

Hartmut Sasse is the new heavyweight champ. He won his title fight, against Arno Prick, and stopped him in the 8th round. Only 2000 spectators in Hamburg.

AHUMADA GORES WAGNER IN SEVEN HEATS IN FORUM

By SAM TAUB

JORGE Ahumada, from Mendoza, Argentina, turned in a perfect performance in handing Billy Kelly Wagner, from Cleveland. Jorge gave Wagner a terrific pasting, cutting him over both eyes and goring his nose. The Argentinian scored a 2.29 T.K.O. in the seventh round of their scheduled ten. 1,836 paid customers were in the Felt Forum. . .

Ahmada never made a mistake, took a few good ones, but completely manhandled him. . . Referee Johnny LoBianco called a halt after Dr. Edwin Campbell made several pilgrimages into the loser's corner to look at his injuries. . . Our score card had Ahumada winning every round.

The Argentinian had the right combinations, kept crowding his man, pounding the midsection as well as the face with both fists. After the fifth round the handwriting was on the wall. The seventh saw Wagner in real trouble when he was dropped and was groggy when he arose at the count of eight. . . When the winner continued his vicious attack the referee called it off. . . Ahumada weighed 176, Wagner 175¼.

In a scheduled six, Juan Cantres, from San Juan, Puerto Rico, 148 pounds, scored unanimous win over Steve Sims, Newark, 146.

Some of the crowd took exception to the decision, because of the mixup which saw Sims catapult his man through the ropes. The Puerto Rican got back into the ring at the count of nine. . .

Despite this unexpected occurrence, the winner did win five of the six rounds. . .

The other six saw Maximo Pierret, from Santo Domingo, 150, score a 1.55 second round T.K.O. over Walter Riley, from New York, 152, after dropping his man in the first heat and bombarding him in the second, the loser being helpless. . . Herbie Kronowitz refereed these two bouts.

A pair of fours, saw Cruz Ortiz, from the Bronx, 148, score a majority victory over Victor Checo, from Santiago, D.R., 141, while Roy Taylor, from the Bronx, 131, registered a unanimous victory over Willie Morales, another Bronxite, who scaled 136.

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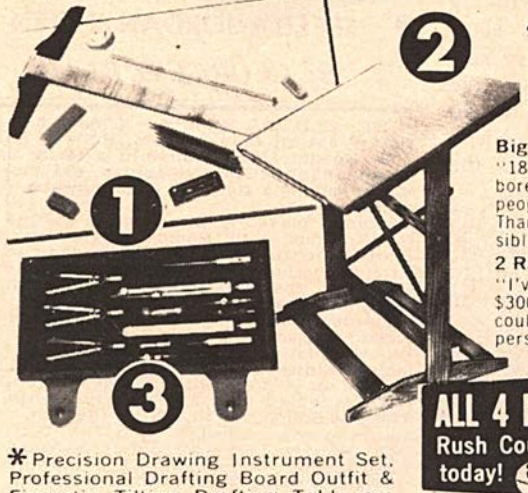

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GAY MAKES MERRY AT ● BUTLER'S EXPENSE IN N.E. ●

By DON HAMILL

BOSTON, Mass.—Removal of the ban on boxing in Connecticut has opened up new clubs two of which were in operation in the past month. Manny Leibert is promoting in West Hartford's Columbia Music Hall, a converted bowling alley, and Tony Paoli, stated his first show in Waterbury at the gymnasium of the Kennedy High School. Vito Tallarita is making matches at both clubs. Meanwhile, Sam Silverman, continues in Portland and Brockton.

▲**PORTLAND**—Anthony Gay, 150, Trinidad, copped a ten round split decision over hometown favorite, Larry Butler, 150. The New England welterweight champ did a fine job of countering for the first five rounds. Gay forced Butler to fight his fight. Gay scored a couple of knockdowns, one in each of the eighth and ninth rounds with right crosses. The knockdowns made the difference in the final scoring, which was very close.

Beau Jaynes, 140, Lowell, took a clear cut eight round unanimous decision over Jose Resto, 133, New York, in the semi-final. Jaynes used his reach and experience to pick up points over the game Puerto Rican. Charlie Kittredge, 125, Portland, eked out a good six round decision over Richie Chenard, 126, Lowell, in a pleasing contest. Three amateur bouts opened the show.

▲**BROCKTON**—Tony Petronelli, 141, East Bridgewater, handed plucky Ricky Burgess, 145, Waterville, such a bad beating in the second round that Burgess was unable to come out for round three. After a fairly close first round, Burgess toppled Petronelli with a left hook to the point of the jaw, when Petronelli was off balance, but Referee Jimmy McCarron ruled it no knockdown. Unhurt Tony bounced up and crowded Burgess into a corner where he belabored him. Ricky refused to go down and was unsteady when he went to his corner. Dr. Nathan Shapiro ruled him unfit to continued.

Marvin Hagler, 161, Brockton, continued winning, stopping previously undefeated Cove Green, 160, Bridgeport, in the fourth round. Hagler was on the floor twice in the third round and was having trouble defending himself when Referee Ed Fitzgerald called a halt. Chris Pina, 156, Norfolk, Mass. prison lifer and protege of former middleweight champion, Paul Pender, scored a two round knockout over Manny Freitas, 163, Lowell. Freitas suffered an injury to his right knee the second and last time he hit the canvas. Jose Carlos Garcia, 142, also of Norfolk Prison, scored two knockdowns in stopping Jose (Pagon) Rivera, 145, Lowell, in the fourth round.

In a four spot, John Capolianco, 163, Huntington, N.Y., weathered a round first round and went on to edge Renaldo Oliviera, 157, Wareham, bu a split decision.

▲**WATERBURY**—Localite Greg Oseweicki, 201, Waterbury, making his first appearance before the hometown fans, ran into an unfortunate situation. He was awarded a win after 30 second of the first round by disqualification. Lucius Maye, 190, New York, took a couple of Oseweicki's left jabs and fell thru the ropes. Referee Billy Taylor advised Maye to get up and fight refusing to count over him. When Maye insisted upon staying down Taylor disqualified him.

Cove Green, 157, Bridgeport, edged Paul Osborne, 155, Lowell, by the narrowest of margins. Green, fighting no harder than needed, allowed Osborne to take the play from him and nearly close the gap. Al, Joe, George, and now Dan Fryman, 133, Lowell, repeated over Renaldo Burgos, 139, Hartford, in a hard-punching six rounder.

The Lowell youngster, who cannot seem to settle on a first name, shows some promise. Jose Carabello, 150, Hartford, won on a TKO over Jimmy Jaynes, 149, Lowell, when the latter could not answer the bell for the fifth round because of a left elbow injury. He took a pasting for the four rounds of action.

Kevin Pentalow, 178½, New Britain, scored three knockdowns in stopping Percy Lee (Halsey???), 177, New York, in the first round of another sixer. Chico Santos, 176, Waterbury, turned pro with an easy first round knockout over Jimmy Moore, 169, New Britain, who went down from a left hook.

Cocoa Kid, 170, Springfield, scored two knockdowns, the final one a light right uppercut, to kayo Willie Smith, 170, Natchez, Miss., who had appeared earlier in the area a Muhammed Smith. The end came in the first round.

▲**WEST HARTFORD**—Eddie (Red Top) Owens, 180, Springfield, stopped Ed Bailey, 179, Miami and Philadelphia, in the fourth round. After a feeling-out first round, Owens went to work in earnest on the taller rival. His jabs had Bailey's nose bleeding as early as the second round.

A solid left hook early in round four dropped Bailey hard, he arose glassy-eyed, and was an easy mark for a push-punch. Referee Hugh Devlin called a halt despite Bailey's protests.

Greg Oseweicki, 197, Waterbury, outgutted Gene Tyros, 187, Tampa, and won by a TKO when the latter failed to answer the bell for the fourth round. Tyros' whiplike punches gave the Brass City belter some difficulty but he persevered and soon had the southerner on rubber legs. D. C. Barker, Denver, and Eddie Gregory, New York, boxed four fast rounds in a exhibition. Jose Carabella, 146, Hartford, and Pablo Rodriguez, 147, Holyoke, ended up in a draw in what was the best bout of the night. The Bay Stater appeared to have a slight edge.

Kevin Pentalow, 179, New Britain, was fed another soft tough when he stopped Billy Green, 177, New York, in the first round. Green was introduced as Bo Green, another boxer. Chico Santos, 178, Waterbury, unleashed some heavy punching to ice Hector Garcia, 170, New York, in the first round of their four spot. Jerry Tram, 159, White Plains, boxing under his full name of Tramatano, halted lanky Jimmy Moore, 160, New Britain, in the second round of the four round opener.

▲Our sympathy goes to Jimmy McDermott for the death of his mother. Only a few days later Jimmy lost his bid for an aldermanic seat in Holyoke. He ran in a predominently French-Canadian ward against an opponent of French-Canadian heritage. Jimmy lost by four votes and it was the second time that he had lost by less than ten votes. There will be a recount.

▲Mrs. Barbara Dunn, Connecticut's lady boxing commissioner, has selected as her aides, Chico Vejar, Willie Pep, Billy Taylor, and Sal Giacobbe.

FOREMAN WAITS WHILE JOE-ALI MEET AGAIN

(Continued from page 7)

Despite this massing of votes for Frazier, the forces of Clay never have conceded that their man was beaten.

Both men were hurt. Clay went to a New York hospital with a swollen face. Rumor had it that he was suffering from a fractured jaw. But this was to hit Ali against Ken Norton, in 1973.

Frazier went to a hospital in Philadelphia with an attack of athlete's kidney. This involves a loss of blood. Usually that trouble disappears soon. But sometimes it hangs on.

Clay hit Frazier often enough but his punch had lost its power and he never had been rated a KO specialist.

Ali had predicted victory in six rounds, but he had guessed wrong by a big margin.

Clay believed that he would wear his man down. But it turned out the other way.

If Clay looked tired as early as the fifth round, there was good reason. He showed his fatigue by seeking the shelter of the ropes. This was a defensive necessity, but he needed the whole ring for his offense and that was lacking.

Frazier kept plowing in and Clay kept jabbing and slapping. One of the reporters, obviously not a Cassius rooter, said in the tenth round that the challenger already had lost the fight because he was trying to destroy a tank with a feather duster.

Time was when a championship fight was measured in thousands insofar as financial profit was concerned. This affair, shown all over the world on closed circuit television, was said to have grossed 18 million. The live gate in the Garden came to 20,455.

The bout was held in New York by courtesy of Jack Kent Cooke, millionaire owner of the Forum at Inglewood, near Los Angeles. He guaranteed the event four million, with the help of a New York bank.

For his participation in the match Cooke got not only his goodly share of the profits but the signatures of the contestants for a rematch.

For this event both Frazier and Ali got greedy and for this both suffered tremendous losses. They haggled too long, even after Cooke had offered $3,200,000 to each of them.

While Joe and Ali were bargaining the late Yank Durham, who was Frazier's manager and trainer, made the financial mistake of his life.

Durham figured he could sneak into close to a million by letting Frazier fight a contender named George Foreman. No harm, he figured. Just a get-ready for the second meeting with Clay.

What happened when Frazier met Foreman at Kingston, Jamaica, was a Frazier-Durham disaster, one of the worst horrors suffered by a world champion since 10 to 1 Jim Braddock took the title from Max Baer.

The so-called unbeatable Frazier was knocked down six times in two rounds, knocked out if any champion ever was knocked out.

After that the financial value of the fight was greatly reduced. No title was involved.

But title or no title, it was a fight that had to be fought, even with both bombers having lost their 1971 sheen.

There have been other exciting heavyweight championship fights since Jim Corbett beat John L. Sullivan in New Orleans in 1892. There was the Dempsey-Tunney Long Count in Chicago in 1927. There was the Dempsey-Firpo battle in which the Wild Bull of the Pampas punched Jack out of the ring.

But pick any fights from the past and you won't match the excitement, the near riot lasting the limit of 15 rounds, to match the Frazier-Clay imbroglio in 1971.

It was definitely a Clay crowd. Frazier had been called an Uncle Tom. Negroes and whites who never before had seen a world championship heavyweight battle found themselves lifted on waves of enthusiasm, then dropped into waves of despair.

There were rallies and counter rallies. As early as the fifth round Cassius appeared to be tiring. But if he was tired, he came back with a part of his reserve in the following round.

In solid punching, Ali was not Joe's match. In the art of boxing, in the science of fast moving, of legerdemain, of dancing here and curvetting there, Cassius Clay Muhammad Ali was almost the Ali of his title days.

There were no surprises by either boxer. Except, maybe the knockdown suffered by Clay in the 15th round.

It was a damaging blow that sent Cassius to the deck. It was a humiliating blow. It looked as if it might be the end. But Clay would have died rather than lie prostrate while his supporters waited in vain for him to avoid the ten count.

The question of superiority was supposed to be settled by this second fight in the Garden. But no matter who the winner—unless it turns out to be a Foreman type of triumph—heavyweight history will have to be written without an answer to the question of superiority to satisfy both sides.

Neither fighter has far to go in the ring now.

Both men talk of retiring.

For Clay, the excitement, the labor of training, have cloyed. For Frazier, ditto, even though, unlike Clay, Joe has expressed no urge to get to know his family and to enjoy the fruits of his labor while still young enough to enjoy them.

In a press conference in New York, Cassius Clay, now a Moslem, expressed his desire for quiet, for being able to appear in public without starting a riot.

"Two thousand men die in a war in Egypt but the newspapers are more concerned about Ali's tooth," said philosopher Cassius.

There is talk of a Foreman fight with Joe, of a Foreman contest with Clay.

But it just will not be the same.

ROD BOBICK NOSES OUT SPEEDY JORDAN IN TEN

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

ST. CLOUD, Minn.—In gaining his 22nd victory against only 3 losses, Rodney Bobick, 228, Bowlus, Minn. ran into a tartar in the person of John "Speedy" Jordan, 195, Norfolk, Va. in gaining a close but unanimous ten round decision.

Jordan played a waiting game for the first four rounds with Bobick gaining an edge. Bobick tired in the fifth and Jordan came on strong, scoring well and outboxing Bobick. Efforts in the later rounds earned Rodney a close nod. There were no knockdowns.

Jordan's record is now 15-6-2, although he was advertised as having a 23-4-1 record. It was thought that off Jordan's recent record, which included losses to Obie English and Fred Lewis, as well as a draw with Charlie Boston, that Rodney would have an easier time with him. This was Bobick's 17th fight of the year.

In the only other pro fight, Tom Van Hoof, 197, Winona, Minn. (13-2-0), stopped Jim Adams, 184½, Cleveland in the sixth round.

▲**ST. PAUL, Minn.**—Mike Morgan, 161, Richfield, Minn., won his second eight round split decision over veteran Rudy Rodriguez, 163, Minneapolis.

It was a match of skills as Morgan applied a good left jab to pile up his points, while Rudy was content to counter punch and land the much harder punches.

Rodriguez's experience told in the early rounds but he tired as the fight went on. Morgan's record is now 14-1-2, Rodriguez 19-19-6, both true and official.

Glenn Morgan, 160, Richfield, Minn. (6-0-0) knocked out Bobby Crawford, 152, Chicago (1-14-0) in the third round. It was the second time Crawford was kayoed in 20 days, and the ninth of his career.

Chuck Mitch, 138½, St. Paul stopped Lon Burdon, 138, Chicago in three. Both were pro starters.

Mike Gephart, 141, Minneapolis knocked out Tiffany Jones, 147, Chicago in the third round. Both were also making their pro debuts also.

In amateur bouts—141, Doug Tourvend, Mpls. decisioned Marshall Bell, St. Paul, 3;—130, David Gandara, St. Paul dec. George Beauleau, Mpls., 3;—135, Chuck Daskiewicz, Mpls., decisioned Randy Weldon, St. Paul, 3;—140, Dave Melton, Mpls., decisioned Mike Burt, Mpls. 3.

▲**DES MOINES, Ia.**—In winning his fifth victory in a row, Lamont Lovelady, 159, Des Moines encountered his toughest opposition to date, gaining a narrow but unanimous ten round decision over Alvin Anderson, 153, Baltimore before 1,200 at Veterans Memorial Auditorium.

After an even first round Lovelady won the next three outboxing Anderson. But then Anderson changed his mode of attack, boxing and scoring with body punches and combos to the head to gain the next three and even it up.

The fight was close going into the final round. Lamont waged a good assault to Anderson's head and held off Anderson's late rally to gain the round, and the fight.

Lovelady is now 5-0-0; Anderson, 20-4-2.

Johnny Copeland, 136, Joplin, Mo. knocked out much beaten "Wonderful" Willie Williams, 136, Cleveland, at 2:17 of the second round.

Ralph Moncrief, 162, Cleveland, decisioned Frank Formaro, 162, Des Moines, in six.

Doug Demmings, 165, Minneapolis stopped pro debuting Larry Hausman, 163, Des Moines in the fourth round.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

Ron Lyle outpointed Larry Middleton, 10, drew with Gregorio Peralta, 10.
Jimmy Ellis kayoed Memphis Al Jones, 7.
Joe Bugner decisioned Mac Foster, 10.
George Chuvalo halted Mike Boswell, 7.
Danny McAlinden stopped Tont Ventura, 1.
Terry Hinke kayoed Jimmy Cross, 3, Brian O'Melia, 3.
Tim Woods beat Bill Drover, 10.
Wild Bill Carson beat Enrique Rodriguez, 6.
Randy Neuman outpointed Raul Goristo, 10.
Gary Wiler kayoed Nat Green, 1.
Boone Kirkman decisioned George Johnson, 10.
Roy Williams beat Oliver Wright, 10.
Al Migiliorate stopped Johnny Wilson, 4.
Ira Martin kayoed Wilbert Williams, 2.
John Barry outpointed Howard Darlington, 6, kayoed by Don Branch, 1.
Al Lewis stopped J.D. McCauley, 2.
Duane Bobick kayoed Roger Russell, 5.
John Dennis kayoed Cliff McDonald, 5.
Al Migliorate halted Jim Youngblood, 3.
Jimmy Summerville outpointed Rene Kinsey, 10.
Rodney Bobick beat John Jordan, 10.
Tom Van Hoof halted Jim Adams, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Chris Finnegan beat Mike Quarry, 10.
John Frankham halted Tom Jensen, 5.
Roy John lost to Tom Bogs, 10.
Al Boldon kayoed Amado Vasquez, 4.
Jorge Ahumada stopped Billy Wagner, 7.
Andy Kendall beat Polo Ramirez.
Willie Taylor halted Freddie Bright, 6.
Jose Casado won from Ray Hernandez, 4.
Alvaro Lopez kayoed Alfonso Gonzalez, 2.
Tony Dowling halted Keith Neuman, 1.
Octavio Romero beat Tony Green, 10.
Len Hutchins kayoed Rafael Gutierrez, 9.
Paul Minor stopped Roy Ingram, 4.
Eddie Owens kayoed Ed Bailey, 4.
Kevin Pantelow halted Bo Green, 1.
Manny Santos stopped Hector Garcia, 1.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Tony Mundine beat Emile Griffith, 12.
Griffith beat Manuel Gonzalez, 10.
Elio Calcabrini outpointed Bunny Sterling, 15, E.B.U. middleweight title.
Bennie Briscoe halted Ruben Arocha, 3.
Robert Hoye kayoed Grover Robinson, 3.
Lionel Ford stopped Jeff Morgan, 3.
Tommy Roland halted Willie Crockett, 2.
Rocky DeFazio outpointed Rosario Zavala, 10.
Mario Rosa kayoed King George Aidoo, 9.
Larry Giello stopped Jim Hall, 1.
Mike Baker beat Sonny Moore, 10, Dave Wyatt, 10.
Mike Lancaster halted Vincente Medina, 10.
Mel Dennis outpointed Denny Moyer, 10.
Mike Rossman kayoed Larry Bang Bang Parker, 1.
Leo Saenz beat Johnny Simpson, 6, kayoed Nikita Tarhocker, 2.
Dave Downey won on a foul over Dave Wyatt, 6.
Eugene Hart halted Al Quinney, 2.
Felton Marshall outpointed Miguel Hernandez, 10.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Hedgemon Lewis kayoed Rudy Barro, 3.
Roger Menetrey beat Jesus Dopico, 15, E.B.U. Welterweight title.
Jack Tillman halted Vernon Mason, 7.
Fausto Rodriguez outpointed Oresto Lebron, 10.
John Stracey beat Marc Gervais
Art Kettles kayoed Marshall Butler, 10.
Armando Muniz decisioned Jose Miranda, 10.
Elisha Obedo halted Jose Melendez, 8.
Oscar Alvarado beats Eduardo Mazon, 10.
Lawrence Hafey outpointed Marc Gervais, 10.
Ray Seales stopped Dave Coventry, 4.
Anthony Gay beat Larry Butler, 10.
Dario Hidalgo won from Jose Rodriguez, 10.
Elisha Obedo kayoed Dennis Roggs, 4.
Ike Hooks beat Henry Mitchell, 8.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Antonio Cervantes kayoed Lion Furuyama, World Junior Welterweight Title.
Bruno Arcari stopped Jogen Hansen, 5, W.B.C. junior welterweight title.
Hector Thompson beat Josua Marquez, 10.
Piero Ceru outpointed Giuseppe Minotti, 12.
Eddy Piton kayoed Roberto Guerrero, 2.
Justico Ortiz halted Miguel Navedo, 3.
Javier Muniz drew with Andy Price, 6.
Laudiel Negron beat Aguas Buenas, 8.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Esteban DeJesus beat Mike Mayan. 10.
Rodolfo Gonzalez halted Antonio Puddu, 10, W.B.C. lightweight Title.
Jimmy Heair kayoed Arturo Pineda, 4.
Ray Lunny III outpointed Alberto Reyes, 10.
Angel Mayorel stopped Richie Alvarado, 4.
Billy Bell outpointed Johnnie Davis, 6.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Walter Seeley beat Vilomar Fernandez, 10.
Lothar Abend kayoed Carlos Capella, 2.
Jose Marin stopped Miguel Riasco, 6.
Alfredo Escalera defeated Antonio Amaya, 10.
Arturo Pineda kayoed by Jimmy Heair, 4.
Richard Alvarado beat Jesus Robles, 10.
Dom Monaco outpointed Rey Santiago, 8.
Jose Marin kayoed Miguel Riasco, 6.
Antonio Amaya beat Alvario Rojas, 10.
Susumu Okabe halted Choon Kwan Park, 6.
Apollo Yoshio outpointed Hwa Nam Kim, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Art Hafey halted Barry Sponagle, 9, beat Jose Olivares, 10.
Takao Maruki beat Sakae Nakamura, 10.
Royal Kobayashi defeated Chung Nam Choul, 10.
Zensuke Utagawa outpointed Ernie Cruz, 10.
Ushiwakamarr Harada beat Waruinga Nakayama, 10.
Ronnie McGarvey decisioned Pajarito Nieves, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Arnold Taylor kayoed Romeo Anaya, 13, to win World Bantamweight Title.
Johnny Clark beat Hiro Hamada, 10.
Nestor Jiminez stopped Ismael Escobar, 9.
Paul Ferreri outpointed Brian Roberts, 10.
Thanomchit Sukhothai kayoed Jesus Alfaro, 7.

FLYWEIGHTS

Betulio Gonzalez kayoed Costenito Morales, 11, W.B.C. flyweight title.
Erbito Salavarria outpointed Enrique Torres, 10.
Fernando Atzori defeated Norbert Barriera, 10.
Chartchai Chionoi won from Susumu Hanagata, 15, W.B.A. flyweight title.
Willie Jensen beat Jesse Trujillo, 8.
Cecil Esobido kayoed Lorenzo Gutierrez, 2.
Takenobu Shimabukuro beat Dong Ki Cho, 10.

SHIBATA HOLLERING FOR ● RETURN WITH VILLAFLOR ●

By TED YAMACHIKA

HONOLULU, Hawaii — Kuniaki Shibata, who recently lost the world junior lightweight championship back to Ben Villaflor, is hollering for a return match.

Shibata feels disgraced because Villaflor stopped him in less than two minutes.

Villaflor landed his pet left high on Shibata's head. The Japanese fighter fell flat on his back.

At the count of eight he made a desperate effort to get up, only to fall again, flat on his face.

Shibata later claimed that he was more stunned than hurt and he proved this a moment later by carrying Villaflor all over the ring in congratulation.

There is little doubt that Shibata made a mistake in strategy by slugging it out with Villaflor from the start. However, it appeared as if Villaflor would have won anyway. His punching was crisp, he was strong, confident and aggressive.

Villaflor weighed in at 129½ and Shibata 130.

A crowd of nearly 8,000 fans, including a large contingent of Shibata's backers from Japan, took in the scheduled 15 round title fight, which was promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. Prices ranged from ten to thirty dollars.

Shoji Tsujimoto, 149½, Japan, stopped Young Kennedy, 150, Honolulu, in the 5th of 10.

Mitsuru Sen, 112½, Japan, knocked out Aniceto Vargas, 110½, Philippines, in the 3rd rd.

Emilio Placencia, 131, Philippines, knocked out Masa Kitamori, 130, Japan, in the 1st of 5.

Yoshiro Shikauchi, 125, Japan, outboxed Simeon Refugio, 124, Philippines, in 5 rounds.

On another card, Terry Hinke, 219¼, Calif. knocked out Juan Olvera, 204¾, Mexico, in the 1st of 10.

Erbito Salvarria, 114, Philippines, TKO'ed Fortunato Hernandez, 113¼, Mexico, in the 2nd of ten. The fight was stopped by the referee.

Mar Yuzon, 132, Philippines, TKO'ed Akihiro Kawasaki, 131, Japan, in the 2nd of 8. Kawasaki suffered an eye cut.

Yoshihiro Shikauchi, 121, Japan, beat Floro Ybanez, 119, Philippines, in 6.

Attack Harada, 124, Japan, fought Virgilio Legaspi, 126, Philippines, to a 6 rd draw.

▲In a separate show, Cecil Escobido, 113, Philippines, knocked out Luciano "Chano" Rodriguez, 114, Mexico, in the 2nd of 10.

Buddy Boy Kayaganon, 120, Philippines, TKO'ed Genzo Kurosawa, 120½, Japan, in the 8th of 10.

Masaharu Tsuchiya, 131, Japan, lost to Dommy Custado, 132, Philippines, in 6.

Kenji Kato, 112, Japan, TKO'ed Jose Ybanez, 113, Philippines, in 3.

Sam Fraticelli, 135, Honolulu, defeated Toshi Fujisawa, 134, Japan, in 6.

ELLIS DISMISSES AL JONES ● IN SEVEN AT ATLANTA ●

By MARK BRENDETRUP

ATLANTA, Ga. — Jimmy Ellis, the former WBA heavyweight champion made a successful return to the ring when he stopped Al "Memphis" Jones in the seventh round of a scheduled ten at Municipal Auditorium.

A sparse turnout of about 1500 saw the flabby Ellis, 202, deck his overmatched opponent five times. Referee Paschal called an end to matters when Jones, 202½, was decked at the bell ending round seven.

Ellis threw jab after jab into Jones' face and was able to hurt him with combinations. It was Jimmy's first fight since losing in one round to Earnie Shavers and he often seemed apprehensive when he had Jones in trouble. Al took a count in the first, two in round six and two more in the seventh.

Jones' record was advertised as 17-5 but it was actually 5-18 with 10 knockout loses. Boxing is not helped when the people in charge of a promotion make these "slight" adjustments to a fighter's record.

The same tool was used in the ten round semi-final between Gene Wells, 158, from Louisville, and Robert "Songbird" Williams, 159½. Williams was supposedly 31-17 but going into this year he was 18-24-3. Wells put on quite a Muhammad Ali act and the crowd really ate it up. Williams was outclassed and had lost every round when the ring doctor halted the fight at 1:45 of round seven because of a bad gash over Songbird's left eye.

Al Migliarato, 203½ from Wampum, Pa., ran his record to 16-0 with 15 knockout wins when he stopped Randy Jackson, 196, of Miami, in the third round. Al is another showman in the ring but the opposition was hardly respectable.

In an amateur bout Mack Freeman, 178, Atlanta, stopped Roy Woods, 175, Atlanta, in the first round. Promoter Don Denton, "The Fighting Stockbroker", and Joe Gholston fought a three round exibition when Denton's opponent failed to show.

Two new ideas were tried during the card. Two minute rounds were used for all the preliminary bouts and the official's scores were announced after each round. Both ideas received poor reviews from the fans.

Promoters Denton, Dudley, and Dundee lost money again and will now shoot for a big match.

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WINNER LYLE, MIDDLETON ● SHOW BALTIMORE LITTLE ●

By JOE POODLES, SR.

BALTIMORE, Md. — Eli Hanover gambled to put Baltimore on the fistic map by pairing two ranking contenders for the heavyweight title, Ron Lyle and Larry Middleton. Hanover's did well at the gate.

Though Middleton hadn't engaged in a bout in eleven months and seemed to be ill prepared for his effort to gain in the rankings, his opponent who had seven outings since he kayoed Larry eleven months before, looked to locate a place to unload his reputed artillary.

The Baltimore entry who scaled 205 to the Denverite's 218. Middleton's punches couldn't put a dent in aunt Minnie's sewing kit. With this Baltimore Civic Center promotion that drew, 4,356 fans for a gross gate of $33,667, reportedly came recognition of the winner as North American heavyweight champion.

The heavyweight division must be in a sorry state to have Middleton contend for any kind of a title, let alone the one that they fought for.

The result of the bout, was unanimous for Lyle.

The best bout on the show was provided by Leo 'Kid' Saenz, the new Golden Boy of Baltimore fandom, and Johnny Simpson, of Cleveland. Saenz, at 154, was the agressor throughout the six rounds with Simpson, (151) in retreat but not without landing repeatedly. Saenz was the unamous winner with a big hand for both.

Paul Minor, 172, Washington TKO'd Roy Ingram, 168½, Philadelphia in 4 rounds. Ira Martin, 214, Baltimore, TKO'd Wilbert Williams, 197½, Atlantic City, in two. Mike Rossman, 154, Atlantic City, TKO'd Larry Parker, Washington, in the first round. John Berry, 217, Washington, Won Unanimous 6 Rd. Dec. over Harold Darlington, 216, of Philadelphia.

▲Undefeated Ronnie McGarvey ran his skein up to 19 in a row with a near shutout over Pajarito Nieves, of New York. Nieves lost a 10 round decision. The Adelphi, Md. southpaw was a head taller than his foe and was in control of the action throughout the bout.

Nieves, who scaled 128, and had a three pound pull in the weight, had trouble in getting inside and when he succeeded it was to no avail as McGarvey laced his foe with every punch in the book. For the main McGarvey kept the action out in the open where he proved very illusive.

The excitement of the evening came when the people's choice Leo Kid Saenz stepped into the ring for action, as just the sight of the lad sets the fans to screaming.

Leo's schedule opponent, Dave Dittmar, failed to put in an appearance and the highly touted Prince Nikita Tarhocker was hurriedly pressed into service as Leo's opponent. In an earlier Baltimore outing Tarhocker looked like a world beater and the boxing intelligentsia figured that Leo was in with more than he could handle.

From the outset of the initial round Tarhocker made Saenz look like a novice, but the hard fighting youngster just refused to be denied as he pressured his opponent throughout the round though getting the worst of it.

In the second round it looked like much of the same until a short right landed with full force on the Prince that sent him into dreamland. Saenz at 155 while Tarhocker weighed 152½.

The electrifying finish had the fans in hysterics.

Billy Bell, 136, whipped Johnny Davis, 141, New York, for the third time in a row, by a six round split decision.

The Washingtonian has shown tremendous improvement as has his plucky foe. Their bouts keep getting closer each time out.

Johnny Berry's six bout win streak has come to an end in the very first round when Donnie Branch of Philly draped him over the ropes with a volley of blows that found him to be in a helpless state, referee Ray Klingmeyer immediately put a stop to the carnage.

SEALES AND INDIAN LOPEZ SCORE KO'S IN PORTLAND

By JIMMY JOHNSTON

PORTLAND, Ore. — Sugar Ray Seales, 1972 Olympic champion, won his thirteenth straight victory here when he halted veteran Dave Coventry, of Vancouver, in the fourth of a scheduled ten-round welterweight match.

Southpaw Seales took command from the start, buckling the knees of his rival in the third and flooring him in the fourth with a left hook. Coventry landed a bristling right in the second but was unable to follow up.

After a second knockdown in the fourth from a chopping right referee Phil Moyer stopped the bout.

In the semi final Alvaroo (Indian Yaqui) Lopez landed a left hook at 2:25 of the opening round and Gonzales of Los Angeles hit the deck for the full count.

In a heavyweight prelim scheduled for six Gary "Hobo" Wiler, Seattle, chilled Nat Green, of Gladstone, at 1:43 of the first heat.

Boone Kirkman, Seattle heavy, notched his eighth straight comeback victory when he nodded veteran George "Scrap-Iron" Johnson over ten rounds at Seattle before a crowd of 5,000.

"Irish" Tony Dowling, 163, Vancouver, gave away 13 pounds to Keith Neuman of Renton and still flattened the youngster in the opening round after three knockdowns. Previously Neuman stopped George Perez in four heats at Lacey.

In a middleweight tiff Mike Lankester, Renton, stopped Vincent Medina, Tucson, in the tenth round. Al Bolden, 172, Portland, stopped Amado Vasquez, 176, San Diego in five rounds.

Calgary heavyweight Earl McLeay, 206, returned to action at Los Angeles when he stopped Tom Keane, 179, in four rounds. McLeay has now won six out of seven, all via the quick slumber route, and reversed his only loss when he chilled Hobo Wiler at Calgary.

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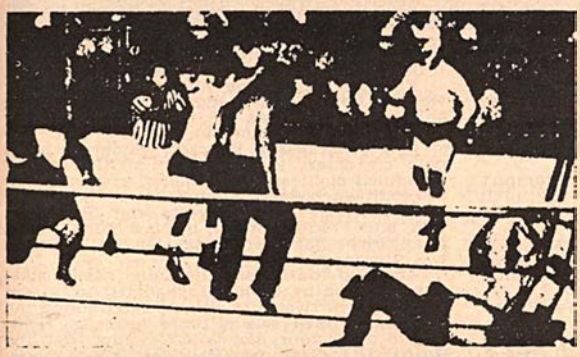

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ALONSO STOPS GALLEGO IN ● SIX DOWN MEXICO WAY ●

By EDUARDO AMER G.

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico—Jesus "Mortero" Alonso, 130, technically stopped Flash Gallego, 130, of Phillipines, in six. Bert Nabalatan, 126, Phillipines, outpointed Jose Luis "Frijol" Madrid, 127, in ten. Juan "Ranita" Robles, 126, kayoed Edel Borunda, 125, in four. Catalino Flores, 112, Phillipines, and Antonio Corral, 112, drew in 10..

▲**LOS MOCHIS, SINALOA:** Felipe Vaca, 145, won a split decision from Celso Olivas, 146, in twelve, and retained Mexican welterweight championship.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** Clemente Mucino, 132, bested Jose Luis Lopez, 131, in ten. "Sammy" Garcia, 143, tko'd Sugar Sanders, 145, of Nicaragua, in the opening round. Esteban Chupin, 135, whipped Julio Mendez, 132, in ten. Joel Valdez, 111, decisioned "Alacran" Chaires, 110, in six. Jaime Martinez, 117, tko'd Chucho Sanchez, 117, in 3.

▲**REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS:** Roberto "Kid" Ruvaldino, 116, outscored Tarcisio "Famosito" Gomez, 117, in ten. Juan de la Rosa, 122, and Daniel Gutierrez, 120, drew in ten.

▲**LOS MOCHIS, SINALOA:** Ignacio Espinal, 112, od Dominican Republic, tko'd Manuel "Cochul" Montiel, 112, in four. Ruperto "Indio" Peraza, 134, ko'd "Gato" Sanchez, 134, in three.

▲**SAN ANDRES TUXTLA, VERACRUZ:** Omar Quiroz, 112, knocked out Mario Ramos, 112, in 4 and became flyweight king of Veracruz State. Feleix Mendez, 134, tko'd "Pichon" Gonzalez, 134, in one.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** Arturo Vazquez, 118, tko'd Rene Navarrete, 118, in 8. Ubaldo Torres, 111, tko'd Chucho Hernandez, 112, in two.

▲**CIUDAD OBREGON, SONORA:** Raul Cruz, 126, and Mario Servin, 125, drew in 10.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** Jose Torres, 124, tko'd Felipe "Cachorro" Ursua, 126, in five. Juan Ramon "Chilango" Perez, 116, stopped Juanito Rodriguez, 117, in 6. Antonio Lopez, 124, embalmed Delfino Camacho, 125, in two. Jose Aragon, 117, defeated Antonio Valverde, 117, in 6. Rosalio Badillo, 123, beat Manuel Martinez, 124, in four.

▲**GUADALAJARA,:** Francisco "Trompo" Marquez, 112, halted Rodolfo Nava, 112, in 2. Jose Luis Pena, 145, ko'd Juventino Castillo, 144, in four.

▲**MEXICALI,:** Benny Rodriguez, 117, gained Arturo Leon, 118, in ten. Genzo Kurozawa, 117, of Japan, bested Artemio Geronimo, 117, in ten.

▲**LA PAZ,:** Enrique Meza, 114, decisioned Antonio "Zurdo" Fuentes, 113, in ten. Roberto Wong, 124, kayoed Juan Morales, 125, in 4. Alfredo Diaz, 118, lost to Manuel Castro, 117, in eight.

▲**REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS:** Willie Warren, 156, USA, tko'd Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 157, in four. "Cubano" Hernandez, 118, ko'd Neftali Rodriguez, 119, in 5.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Victor Ramirez, 118, tko'd Pedro Martinez, 118, in 8. Alejandro Banos, 117, lost to Carlos Ramirez, 117, in 8. Mario Rogelio, 111, tko'd Jose Curiel, 111, in one.

▲**GUADALAJARA,:** Jesus "Chuy" Rodriguez, 130, whipped Rene "Mochila" Moragan, 132, in ten. Alfonso Ibarra, 117, tko'd Freddy Segura, 118, in 8. Juan Zarate, 111, nailed Emilio Mayoral, 112, in 3.

▲**REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS:** Apolonio Salinas, 120, tko'd Arturo Penaduque, 122, in six. Jesus "Chuy" Rios, 170, tko'd Pedro Martinez, 172, in 1.

▲**MONTERREY,:** Gerardo Heredia, 117, demolished Eduardo Limon, 117, in two. Jose Luis Lopez, 116, won from Atilano Sanchez, 117, in 10.

▲**ACAPULCO,:** Carlos Tornes, 125, tko'd "Casanovita" Mendez, 124, in nine. Nico "Remolino" Rivera, 119, bested "Cacha" Zamora, 119, in 10.

▲**ESCUINAPA, SINALOA:** Babe San Martin, 116, lost to Alejandro "Cordobes" Lopez, 117, in 10.

▲**RIO BRAVO, TAMAULIPAS:** Moi Martinez, 185, defeated Sabino Villanueva, 188, in 12.

▲**TIJUANA,,:** Ex-olympic Alfonso Zamora, 115, ko'd Julio "Ringo" Romero, 114, in two. David Garcia, 122, tko'd Filiberto "Chamaco" Cota, 123, in three.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** Juan Ordonez, 117, won over Eliseo Cosme, 118, in ten. Jose Luis Medrano, 116, tko'd Santiago Hernandez, 116, in 5. "Canelo" Salinas, 125, whipped Rafael Limon, 125, in 8.

▲**GUADALAJARA,:** Francisco "Trompo" Marquez, 112, tko'd Lucio del Rio, 111, in 2. Manuel "Memin" Becerra, 117, tko'd Juan Rodriguez, 117, in 9.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** "Pepe el Toro" (Pedro Mendoza), 133, of Nicaragua, tko'd Jose Jimenez, 135, who returned after two years retirement, in seven. Rosalio Muro, 125, stopped Modesto Concepcion, 125, of Dominican Republic, in four. Salvador "Chino" Martinez, 111, tko'd Francisco Cabrera, 111, in 9. Raul Valdez, 112, beat Miguel Franco, 110, in 6.

▲**TIJUANA,:** Valente Vera, 125, ko'd Rafael "Pollo" Lopez, 125, in 8, and retained featherweight belt of Baja California.

▲**MEXICO, D. F:.:** Jose Luis Hernandez, 134, kayoed Memo Cruz, 134, in two. Moises Sore, 144, tko'd Jose Figueroa, 146, in five.

▲**REYNOSA,:** Willie Warren, 150, USA, tko'd Manuel "Sonrisas" Avitia, 148, in six. Jesus "Chuy" Rios, 170, decisioned Pedro Barraza, 173, in ten. Juan Elizondo, 132, tko'd Fernando Gomez, 132, in 5.

▲**ACAPULCO,:** Jesus "Marro" Vargas, 145, halted Alfredo Marcelo, 146, in four. Yuyo Zuastegui, ko'd Eduardo Martinez, 113, in 2.

NEUMANN GETS VERDICT ● IN TEN OVER GOROSITO ●

By SAM TAUB

The dirtiest scrap seen in New York in years was captured by Randy Neumann, Cliffside Park, N.J., 203, over Raul Gorosito, Buenous Aires, 216, in what was the ten round feature at the Felt Forum. Referee Tony Perez, who handled the riot, probably still is wondering what happened.

They did everything unorthodox on the calendar, butting and roughing, but very little clean fighting. Gorosito, a roly-poly, managed to get off better and captured three of the first four rounds, the last one seeing a penalty by the arbiter on Neumann for butting.

Randy was slower than usual but finally did manage to get to his man, who tired in the last half, and received the majority vote. The winner had a cut alongside the left eye, suffered in the first round, which he claimed was a butt. It bled more later in the skirmish.

For the record, the voting was as follows: Referee Perez 4-4-2; judge Jack Gordon, 8-3; and judge Leo Dazzo 8-2, for Neumann. . . Our tab was 6-3-1 for Neumann.

As for the rest of the card, which saw 1,735 paid customers kick in with $9,489.75, the scheduled eight spot was halted after 2:02 of the sixth when Referee Joe Santarpia halted the bout between Willie Taylor, from Brooklyn, 168, and Freddie Bright, of New York, 171½, after Bright had been dropped twice. . . Bright was also down in the sixth.

The two fours went the limit. The opening one was won by Dennis Taglianetti, 147, from his Brooklyn rival Tito Flores, 143 pounds, the loser being down several times during the fight. In the other four, saw Jose Cassado, from the Bronx, 181, score over Ray Hernandez, Bronx, 176, in the best scrap of the evening. . . Both fours produced unanimous verdicts.

▲Rangy Dario Hidalgo, from Santiago, Dominican Republic, using his speed and left jab, scored a majority win over Jose Rodriguez, from the New York Bronx, in their ten rounder that featured the Felt Forum card. Despite the blustery, rainy weather that hit the big city, a turnout of 1,532 paying customers attended.

The shorter New Yorker, with only 17 scraps under his belt to his rival's 46, which included nine kayos, tried but was not able to cope with his adversary although he did put on a rally in several of the final four heats. . . It was the 38th win for Hidalgo, who overwhelmed his man during most of the going, although the Eddie Mafuz protege was trying hard. A cut left eye in the ninth round suffered by the loser, who claimed it was due to a butt. It didn't help his cause and he was gory during the final two heats.

As for the official voting. . . Referee Mark Conn had it 6-4 and judge Johnny Dran 6-3-1 for Hidalgo while judge Johnny Maschio had it 5-3-2 for the loser. . . Our score card showed Hidalgo ahead 7-2-1.

The winner scaled 149, the loser 154½.

A terrific eight round semi-windup, saw Domenico Monaco, 132¾, slug his way to an unanimous win over Ray Santiago, of Santurci, P.R., 134½. . . They belted each other all over the ring. The winner scored without question, but many of the rounds were closely contested. Herbie Kronowitz was the referee.

The two preliminaries ended quickly. . . In a scheduled six, Eddy Piton, from Mendoza, Argentina, 140½, crumpled Roberto Guerrero, from Ramona, D.R., 140¾, with a crushing right to the chin, the end coming 29 seconds into two. . . It was a clean knockout. . .

The opening four, which was halted by referee Mark Conn, saw Justice Ortiz, from Brooklyn, 137½, pound Miguel Navedo, from Santurce, P.R., 141, the arbiter calling it off after 1 minute and 33 seconds of the third round.

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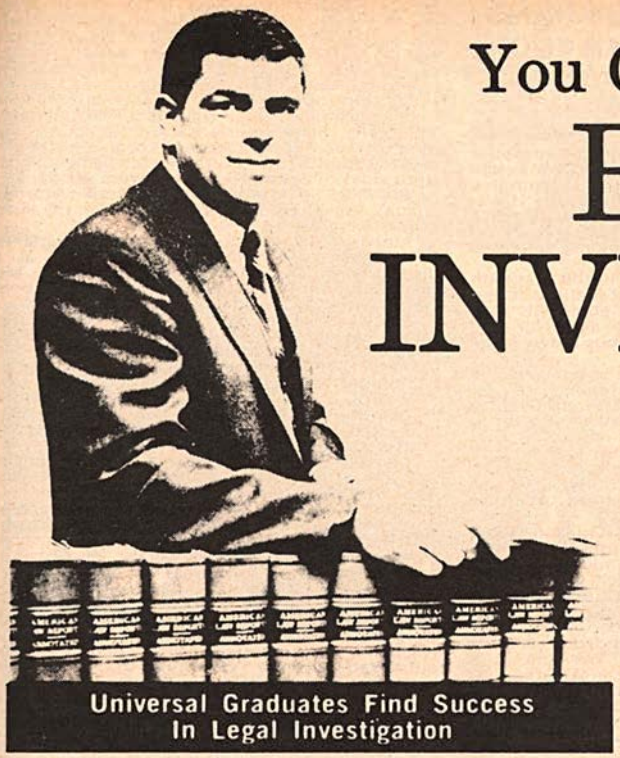

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MALINGA OVER MOFOKENG ● FOR SOUTH AFRICAN TITLE ●

By ED CLARK

DURBAN, South Africa.—The vacant South African welter-weight title was won by Maxwell Malinga, who pounded former champion McKeed Mofokeng in the tenth round. It was actually over in the ninth but Mofokeng failed to come out for the tenth after taking powerful hooks and body punches. Mofokeng collapsed from exhaustion.

Mofokeng attacked strongly in the first with Malinga looking for openings but Malinga found the range in the third and set about his man with a vengeance. He was the aggressor and tormentor of Mofokeng and vicious blows made Mofokeng's mouth bleed.

The crowd yelled for Malinga to end it in the seventh but the bell came to Mofokeng's rescue. Mofokeng slowed up considerably and Malinga moved into his man hammering him until Mofokeng quit.

Joseph Xulu outboxed former bantam and flyweight champ Anthony Sithole and was well on the way to victory but he suffered a bad cut above the right eye in the third of their feather-weight bout.

Former middle-weight champ Gordon Goba, decisioned Joe Sishi, 6. Moses Mthembu outscored Alfred Cele, 6, middle-weights; Themba Hlabisa T.K.O.'d Cynet Tshabalala, 5, light-weights. In a junior welter bout Solomon Ntuli outscored Zacks Moahlodi, 6.

▲**CAPE TOWN.**—With a chopping right Gordon Goba clubbed and pounded a clear 10 rounds points win over Cecil Kekana in a middle-weight clash at the Langa Stadium. Goba was right hand crazy using his right in a variety of blows and jabbing occasionally with his left. Kekana used his left jab and rarely used his right. Goba crowded his man and ripped punches to body and head.

Joe Gumede, bantam and feather king oozed class over Johannes Masehla and after working up a sweat disposed of Masehla with a short right to the jaw in the sixth.

Veteran Richard Borias drew with Emmanuel Gimede over 8, welter-weights; Joe Heli K.O.'d Simon Mphuti in 2; Patrick Kohli shaded Victor Mpiyake, 6.

▲**DURBAN.**—Wasting little time before climbing into a ring again newly crowned Welter champ Maxwell Malinga took on Middle-weight Abraham Sibeko and won over 10 rounds.

Malinga was not impressive and had to struggle for his win but Sibeko who won the first four rounds with his right jabs was a durable customer. He took Malinga's best right and lefts and countered with stinging blows. Malinga was pulled up by the referee Jack Bryant for taunting and clowning and got to work with a vengeance in the sixth. Heavy jabs shook Sibeko and hard combinations connected to Sibeko's ribs. Malinga turned on the heat in the remaining rounds to clinch the decision.

Moses Mthembu was unlucky to be stopped in the third against Phillip Hlope as it seemed a butt caused the cut he suffered above the left eye in their light-weight bout.

Joseph Ngidi decisioned Cynet Shabalala, 6, light-weights; Ramon Nkabinde outscored Enoch Hlongwane, 4, middle-weights; Themba Hlabisa K.O.'d Moses Ngubane, 2, light-weights.

▲**JOHANNESBURG.**—Norman "Panga-man Sekgapane, light-weight champ, soundly thrashed Jonathan Dele, of Nigeria, over 10 rounds. Dele was game as he took Sekgapane's best blow, a heavy right, with monotonous regularity. Almost out in the eighth Dele held on for dear life to last the distance. In the last two stanzas Dele threw all he had but to no avail. Sekgapane sent Dele down for the mandatory count in the first round.

Veteran Mike Ramagole using his greater experience, gained a six rounds points win over Morgan Moledi who started well but faded, welters.

Anthony Morodi boxing better than ever, outclassed the "Fighting Priest" Simon Nxawe over 6, light-weights. Victor Tshabalala mastered Daniel Mkhize over 6, light-weights.

▲**JOHANNESBURG.**—20,000 fight fans gathered in the Milner Park showgrounds to cheer Pierre Fourie having his first fight since the title fight against Bob Foster. Many in the crowd however, booed the decision given to Fourie after 10 rounds against Germany's Rudiger Schmidtke. The fight was one of the most thrilling seen in years, almost went Schmidtke's way via a short right to Fourie's jaw in the ninth but then the bell sounded.

Fourie delayed in coming out for the last round then hugged and clinched and the German was unable to land a finishing blow.

Referee Christodoulou had a job separating the boxers and Schmidtke emerged from a clinch with his left eye covered in blood, but did enough to win the final round.

Fourie won four rounds with three going to Schmidtke and three even. It was a great sixth but Schmidtke fought back very well to share the seventh. Fourie was on the attack in the eighth but Schmidtke moved back but was caught with a left and right to the body. He countered with head blows but it was Fourie's round. Fourie also won the ninth although he was tagged with that right hook to the jaw. After the fight Fourie said: *"I could have done better but decided not to take chances", No doubt with the return Foster fight in mind. Both sides of Schmidtke's face were swollen.

Big Mike Schutte made short work of former champ. Chris Roos stopping him in the first, (heavy-weights.)

Morris Wainstein shorter than John Mitchell of England was much stronger but at a disadvantage and Mitchell's straight left and right kept him away. The feather-weight bout was drawn over 8 rounds.

Eddie Mileham K.O.'d Billy Koekemoer, feather-weights in 2 and Sydney Bensch K.O.'d Michel le Roux, 3, Middle-weights.

▲**PRETORIA.**—Fraser Memela, heavy-weight champion, was surprisingly held to a draw over 8 rounds by James Mathatho at the Tembisa Rabasotho hall. Memela attacked from the gong with Rabasotho back-pedalling and countering with a straight left.

Memela was warned to keep his blows higher and the same pattern followed in round two. The third saw Rabasotho break thru with a one-two to the face and kept the champion at bay. Memela went after him but the boxers clinched. Memela was dangerous thruout but Rabasotho nullified Memela's chances of scoring a victory.

Anthony Sithole was narrowly beaten by Joseph Tsotetsi, 6, feather-weights; Jackson Diphofa decisioned Louis Miya, 8, light-weights; Thomas Sithebe T.K.O.'d Joseph Ngubane, 2, middle-weights; Ben Lekalake outscored Johnny Dlamini, 4, junior-light-weights.

▲**DURBAN.**—Veteran Joe Sishi lost on points over 8 rounds against Cecil Kekana in a dull, colorless contest in the middle-weight division. Kekana's crisper blows won him the verdict but the referee had his hands full in warning both boxers for infringements.

Jerry Gumede T.K.O.'d Jacob Modebedi, 6, bantams; Lawrence Maqina K.O.'d Jack Khosa, 4, bantams; Themba Hlabisa T.K.O.'d Joseph Xulu, 3, light-weights; William Radebe decisioned Jackie Coleberg, 6.

▲**PORT ELIZABETH.**—Jimmy Richards retained his South African heavy-weight title against Johnny Britz in the Showgrounds Hall by gaining a points victory over 12 rounds. Richards had a close call in the third after two uneventful rounds when in the third a straight right from Britz opened a cut above Richards' left eye and then a hook to the head had the blood pouring out. With the crowd roaring for the kill Britz caught Richards with a right hook and Richards went to the canvas. Sheer fighting instinct forced him to his feet as referee Sydney Beck counted and he managed to see out the round. Richards weathered the fourth and with surprise to the fans he took command in the fifth scoring continually with a sharp left and hard blows to the body. The next three rounds were an anti-climax as both boxers resorted to mauling but round 9 saw Richards skillfully picking his punches and forging more ahead.

Britz rallied in the tenth again opening the cut but it was Richards in the eleventh and in the final stanza Richards hit Britz non-stop and with everything he had but amazingly Britz was still on his feet at the end.

Ronnie du Preez decisioned Dirk van der Westhuizen, 6, welter-weights; Chris Roos former heavy champ stopped Dougie de Wet, 3; Gert Craemer also stopped Cliff Manuel, 6, welter-weights; Chris du Plessis T.K.O.'d Chris McCauley, 3, middle-weights.

ALI FLOP IN SINGAPORE, HAYES OUTPOINTS GUIZANI

By LITTLE NENE

SINGAPORE — Despite a starry night and pleasant weather, Cassius Clay, (Muhammad Ali) with two sparring partners failed to bring more than 2000 people to the stadium.

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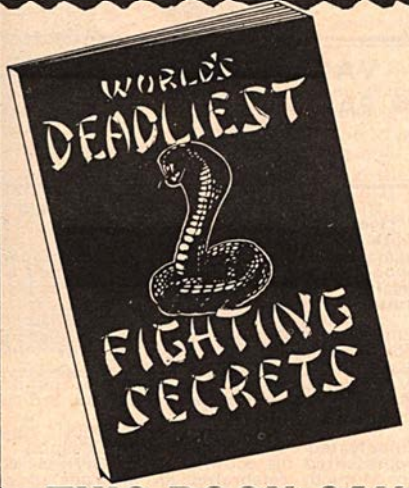

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BRISCOE NOT SO READY, BUT TOO HOT FOR AROCHA

By NIGEL COLLINS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Making his first start since dropping a controversial decision to Rodrigo Valdez, at spectrum, Bennie Briscoe disposed of Mexico City's Ruben Arocha in 1:24 of the third heat.

Briscoe was not in the best of form and lacked his normal zip. But even a mediocre Briscoe was way too much for Arocha.

Arocha tasted Briscoe's left jab, probably the hardest in the division, mid-way into the first and hit the deck for an 8-count.

Bennie continued to stalk the feeling Arocha in the second economically employing his jab to bloody Ruben's nose and open a slight cut over his left eye.

Briscoe trapped Arocha in the third, setting him up with another jab and flooring him with a left hook. Ruben spit his mouth piece out on the way down and didn't stir until referee Pete Tomasco tolled ten.

At 161, the same as Arocha, Bennie was 2 or 3 pounds over his best fighting weight. The knockout was the 40th of a 12 year career and brought the Philadelphian's record to 47-12-1.

In a supporting ten that had most of the 3,109 fans on their feet, local William Watson rallied to TKO Roy Barrientos from Fort Worth, Texas in the seventh round.

After being outboxed in the first round, Watson toppled Barrientos with a left hook early in the second. Barrientos got up full of fight and initiated several blazing exchanges along the ropes.

Barrientos cut Watson in the third and seemed to be pulling away as he swept the next three rounds. Although six pounds lighter, at 145, Barrientos was putting his reach to good advantage, jabbing to the head and hooking to the body.

Watson exploded in the seventh, pinning Roy in a neutral corner and rendering him helpless with three brutal left hooks and a right cross to the jaw.

The KO was Watson's 8th in a 16-2-1 record.

Obbie English, 202, an unimpressive winner for most of his career, looked good stopping Atlantic City's prospect Rochelle Norris, 209, in the 4th round.

It was a brawl while it lasted, but Norris ran out of gas in the third and took a pasting after that. The win lifted Obbie to 10-2 while "The Roach" lost for the first time in seven starts.

It's always a shame when a hard fought, evenly matched bout ends with a cut eye TKO. Such was the case in the Mike Everett-Ray Fields six rounder. Fields, 142, got the cut and his first loss in 5 outings. Everett, 140, was the winner when the ref stepped in at 1:04 of the fourth.

Rounding out the all knockout show were Tyrone Taylor's first round TKO over John Martino and Mike Rossman's first chukker KO over Herman Nance. Both bouts were in the middleweight class.

DUANE BOBICK SCORES KO ● IN ONE OVER VEASY ●

By BILLY KOWALCZYK

HARTFORD, Conn. — Barnstorming Duane Bobick invaded the local scene and demolished Bridgeport Heavy Olvin Veasy in one minute and thirty nine seconds of the first round before 1,100. Bobick, 220, and Veasy, 215, went at it hammer and tong as the delighted crowd had fun, and suddenly went silent as Veasy was dropped to one knee from a right uppercut that could be seen by only a few.

Olvin just stared into space as the referee tolled ten. I immediately followed Veasy into the dressing room and witnessed a heavy swelling on the jaw of a very disappointed fighter. Veasy had not fought in more than five years.

In the six round co-feature New Britain's Kevin Pentlow won from heavyweight Harold Thompson, Boston, who kept slipping to the canvas. The referee called a halt at the end of round one.

Steve Simms, New York, won another 6 over Jose Pagan, Springfield, in a lively match that extended Simms's winning streak to four in a row.

Greg Osowieski, Waterbury, scored a one round KO over Boston's Brian Kelley, a 214 pounder who quit, telling the ref he had had enough.

Cove Green, 162, Bridgeport, continued his victory string by pounding out a 6 round decision over 165 pound KO Kid of Boston.

HAFEY BROTHERS SCORE, ● ART BY KO IN NINTH ●

By FRED BISHOP

HALIFAX, N.S. — Art Hafey, 125, Stellarton, N.S. knocked out Barry Sponagle, 134, Westville, N.S. in the ninth of a scheduled ten at the local Forum before a disappointing 1440 fans. Hafey, a ranking featherweight, was scoring his ninth straight kayo in ten fights, carried the action to Sponagle from the first round with Sponagle holding his own for three rounds.

In the fourth the power punching Hafey was landing with left and right hooks that were hurting. In the fifth and sixth Hafey missed with a number of wild swings that had kayo written all over them, one left exploded near the end of the sixth. It dropped Sponagle for a nine count. Sponagle came back fighting in the seventh to score with a wild right that staggered Hafey only to have the well conditioned art quickly shake it off and return to the attack. The durable Sponagle lasted through the eighth but a short right hook, one punch and Sponagle was counted out at the 2.34 mark.

In a ten round semi-final, Stellarton's Lawrence Hafey, 147, Art's brother, scored his 30th win in 41 fights and stretched his current win streak to nine as he outpointed Marc Gervais, 147, Quebec City, in a war from the opening bell.

There were no knockdowns but the crowd gave both boys a standing ovation in the best fight of the night. Hafey carried the first six rounds with Gervais coming on strong to take the latter part of the scrap.

In six rounds, old foes, Mickey MacEachern, 168, Dingwall, N.S. and smooth boxing Levi Brown, 171, Preston, N.S. went all the way as the wild swinging MacEachern just could not tag Brown with the result of a poor show. The decision to MacEachern was unanimous.

In a four round opener, substitute Bobby Brake, 179, Fall River, N.S. stopped Kevin Partridge, 165, Antigonish, midway through the third. Partridge was leading the way up to the knockout but had a bad habit of turning his back and walking away. Brake came up behind him and hung a right from left field that spelled the finish for Partridge.

VAN HATTEN, OF TEXAS, ● FALLS BEFORE ORSOLICS ●

By LEO VOLLNHOFER

VIENNA, Austria — 23 years old Josef "Tiger Joe" Pachler, winning twice in a row with the welterweight title of the Austria Amateur Association, turned professional, and won his debut in the Vienna Athletic Center against Gianpaolo Piras of Italy on points. Six rounds.

Johann Orsolics, two times European champion, sharpened his tools before his forthcoming title bout against Jacques Kechichian of France, by knocking out Tommy Van Hatten, Texas, in the sixth round after flooring him four times in the 2nd, 3rd (twice) and 4th.

In the main supporting bout, Austria's undefeated middle Franz Csandl, who represented his country at the Olympic Games in Munich, celebrated an unexpected points victory after eight interesting rounds against the vastly more experienced Matt Donovan of Trinidad, who boxed Tony Mundine and Koichi Wajima in the not so distant past. Csandl, stablemate of Orsolics, an electrican by profession, took a two weeks vacation before his acid test, survived a knockdown in the second, and fought his heart out. The decision was rather narrow. I saw Csandl ahead only by a half point, which usually calls for a draw.

Austrian junior middle Esperno Postl won convincingly against hitherto undefeated Czech born Jaroslav Travnik, now an Austrian citizen, in six rounds. Over the same route, Germany's hitherto unbeaten Karsten Honhold, 174½, outpointed unorthodox fighting Daniel Makre of the Dutch Antilles.

German middle contender Frank Reiche eked out a deserved points decision against Burhan Yesilbag of Turkey, in four rounds. Viennese middle Franz Kammerhofer drew in six rounds with former German champion Rainer Muller.

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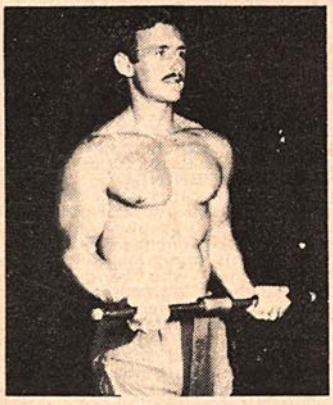

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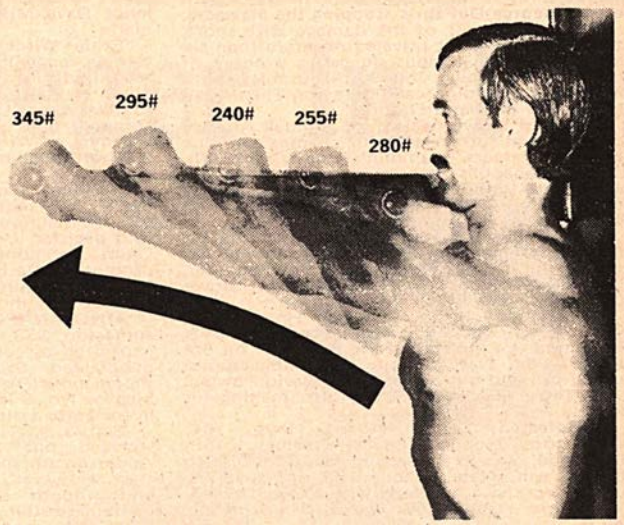

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GOINS WINS NO. 8 IN ROW, M. ANDERSON ACTS ODDLY

By MIKE SCHWARTZ

INDIANAPOLIS — Stormin' Norman Goins made it eight straight when he blasted out Charles Harvey, 135, St. Louis, at 2:06 of the first round. The undefeated Goins floored Harvey three times for an automatic TKO, with referee George DeFabris stopping the massacre.

Goins, did most of the damage with short, chopping rights that traveled no more than six inches. The Indianapolis slugger, a product of the Camp Atterbury Job Corps 30 miles south of here, is a leading candidate for The Ring's Prospect of the Month honors.

A sellout crowd packed the Tyndall Armory to see several former amateur champs continue their pro careers. Slammin' Sammy NeSmith, 156, Indianapolis, scored his third win by outslugging Lionell Ford, 164, Kalamazoo, in a four-rounder. NeSmith, like Goins, won national titles as an amateur.

Tommy Prater, 186, Indianapolis, won his second pro fight by outpunching hulking Art Robinson, 263, Chicago, in a four rounder. Prater is a former National Golden Gloves runnerup.

Undefeated Bobby (Rico) Hoye, 164, Kalamazoo, stopped Oscar Freeman, 158, Richmond, Va., in the second round for his 9th straight win. Nate Lenoir, 153, Indianapolis, turned pro and got a draw with David Towled, 147, Terre Haute, who was also making his debut.

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Top ranking light heavyweight Len Hutchins was brought in at the last minute to box an exhibition with Olympic Bronze Medalist Marvin Johnson, whose opponent, Tracy Morrison, failed to appear. The four-round session with 16-ounce gloves failed to stir the crowd, especially after the thrilling performances by Goins and NeSmith, and the Armory was only half filled by the time Marvin and Hutchins concluded their waltz.

Charlie Guynn, in his first attempt at staging pro boxing, did an excellent job.

▲**FORT WAYNE, Ind.** — A small turnout was on hand for promoter Rocky Cole's second card in two months. Perhaps lack of enthusiasm was due to the poor records of the fighters Cole featured, especially underneath.

In the feature bout, scheduled for 10 rounds, Roy Dale, 165, Cincinnati, was floored in the first round but came back to ice Tony Gay, 152, Trinidad, in the second round.

Dale, now 21-13, was just too big and strong for the shorty from the islands, who now fights out of New York. Gay was dominating the action and the fans sensed an upset in the making until Dale cleared the boards with his left hook flush to the chin.

Southpaw Marvin Johnson, 175, Indianapolis, won his third pro fight after gaining an Olympic bronze medal by halting Chuck Warfield, 175, Chicago, in the fifth round. It was a hard scrap all the way, with both men rocked several times. Marvin was able to outlast his foe. Warfield is now 1-1.

Lightning Johnny North, 135, Cincinnati, toyed with stablemate Alex Jones, 126, Cincinnati, who was making his pro debut. Jones succumbed in the second round from a series of hard slaps from southpaw North, who raised his record to 9-3-1. Jones was a sub for inept Dave Mosby, the possessor of a 2-25-1 mark.

Ernie Witcher, 152, Akron, who is fast gaining recognition for his increasingly terrible record, decided to change his name to Ernie Witt. It helped him survive until the sixth round, when Larry Adkins, 152, Cincinnati, stopped him with a series of body shots. Witcher, or Witt, saw his record fall further to 2-18, although his manager has tried to pad that mark.

National Golden Gloves runnerup Tom Prater, 185, Indianapolis, turned pro and had to get off the floor in the fourth round to cop a split decision from Lou Rowan, 190, Hamilton, Ohio. In contrast to his previous show, promoter Cole had little to sell and less for the fans to see, but he vowed he would continue running each month.

▲**INDIANAPOLIS** — High ranking Marcus Anderson, 138, Louisville, Ky., came into town expecting as easy win over inexperienced and unheralded Stormin' Norman Goins, 132, Indianapolis. Anderson, who has been rated as high as No. 3 in The Ring's world ratings, was in for quite a shock.

Before, 1,391 fans at Tyndall Armory, Goins stormed out and his heavy hitting had Anderson on the verge of a kayo right at the start. However, the veteran used his ring savvy and smooth boxing to survive the rough opening session.

In the second, Anderson had regained his composure and was winning the round by repeatedly shooting his rapier jab through the defenses of the crude but willing Goins, when suddenly the local hero exploded with some jarring combinations that again had Anderson in trouble. The round belonged to Marcus, but many felt Goins would get to him before the scheduled eight rounds elapsed.

However, between rounds two and three, with cornermen Sarge Johnson and Bruce Trampler advising Goins, there was a commotion from the opposite corner. Anderson was refusing to accept his mouthpiece or leave his stool at the 10-second buzzer, and when the bell rang, Anderson frantically grabbed the ropes and held on for dear life. The desperate efforts of his cornermen to force Marcus out for round three were wasted, and they threw their hands in the air in disgust.

Referee Lew Eskin informed Anderson that if he didn't fight, he wouldn't get paid. Anderson looked at Goins, waiting for him in the center of the ring, and replied that whether he got paid or not, he wasn't going to continue. Marcus insisted he had been stricken with the flu bug just before the fight.

Goins, obviously disappointed as the fans hurled debris at Anderson for his surrender, was credited with his seventh pro win, a third-round TKO. Anderson is now 20-4. Manager Angelo Dundee, who was in the Far East with Muhammad Ali, phoned promoter Howard Ladin upon his return and demanded a rematch. Ladin told Dundee "Fine, but not in Indianapolis."

Kelse McClure, administrative officer of the Indiana Commission, announced that Anderson's pay would be held up.

In the co-feature, light heavyweight Irish Jerry Evans, 175, Indianapolis, hooked up with Teddy Paxton, 176, Cleveland, in a battle that saw both men toss leather non-stop for three full rounds. The heavier hitting of Evans finally prevailed, as Paxton could not answer the bell for round four. Nevertheless, both men were given a standing ovation.

Evans has won three straight here, with an overall 25-7 record, including 18 knockouts. Promoter Ladin hopes to match him with either Mike Quarry or Brian Kelly on his next card.

Marion (Tiger) Thomas, recently ranked 10th in the United States by The Ring, had to blow up to lightweight poundage to get work, and found out that the good big man usually defeats the good smaller man. Thomas, 132, Indianapolis, was leading on points when Johnny Copeland, 138, Joplin, Mo., crossed a beautiful right midway through the third round to deck Thomas. The localite arose, but that one bomb had declawed the Tiger. Copeland dropped Thomas twice more for an automatic TKO.

Copeland had licked Thomas a year ago, but the Tiger wanted a rematch and finally got his wish. Thomas saw his fine record slip to 27-7-1, and vowed to fight feathers and junior lightweights from now on. Copeland, a big favorite here with three wins in four starts, screamed for a rematch with Goins, who had halted him the month before.

Slammin' Sammy NeSmith, 152, Indianapolis, blew out Bobby Crawford, 150, Chicago, at 1:13 of the first round for his second straight one-round kayo as a pro. NeSmith, former National Golden Gloves champ, was too strong and too fast. A paralyzing left hook to the belly finished Crawford for the evening.

Jimmy Claar, 156, New Castle, Ind., turned pro and dropped Harold McAfee, 160, Chicago, three times in the first round for a TKO victory. Claar, who works alongside Irish Jerry Evans in the New Castle Chrysler plant, showed plenty of strength and is a good prospect. The two auto workers, Evans and Claar, sold several hundred dollars worth of tickets to men at the plant, who gave up the $70 they would earn on a Saturday night shift to watch their pal score impressive wins.

In the four-round opener, Art Robinson, 260, Chicago, outslugged Danny Lee, 195, Louisville, There were no knockdowns. Robinson (1-1) made his first start since 1967 when he lost to Eddie Brooks. Lee is now 4-4.

▲**HOOSIER HAPPENINGS** — A familiar sight at Midwest fight cards is the entourage of youthful Indianapolis promoter Howard Ladin, who generally attends shows in either his Rolls-Royce or his Winnebago Motor Home, accompanied by his matchmaker Fred Berns and Bruce Trampler, who handles most of Ladin's fighters. Ladin, who has promoted over 30 shows in a dozen different towns, is 35, while Berns is 33, and Trampler is 24. They usually bring along fellow Indianapolis promoters John Appel and Charlie Guynn, both in their mid-twenties. So boxing in Indiana is definitely a young man's sport.

Ladin plans to promote soon in Terre Haute, and is always open to offers to run in neighboring states, including Ohio and West Virginia. He hopes to obtain highly ranked Irish Frankie Crawford as an opponent for Goins in six months, since Crawford fought once before for Ladin in Indianapolis.

Irish Jerry Evans, Indianapolis light heavyweight, has offers to fight Pierre Fourie in South Africa, Tom Bogs in Denmark, and Len Hutchins in Detroit, but has to pass on all three because Chrysler is in full production now and the popular fighter can't get time off from work. Jerry wants Ladin to promote in Muncie, where Evans began his amateur career, only 60 miles from Indianapolis.

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Sweet Revenge For Lovell Who Stops Krueger In First

By DON FRASER

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—It was sweet revenge for Argentine heavyweight Pedro Lovell.

Before 6100 folks at the Olympia Auditorium, Pedro made amends for a prior knockout loss and the only defeat in 14 bouts, when he flattened Terry Krueger, of San Antonio.

Lovell came out storming when the bell sounded for round one. In just 20 seconds, he dropped the Texan with a solid right to the chin.

Krueger somehow managed to beat referee Dick Young's count, but it was just a matter of seconds before Young had to stop it with Terry helpless.

Lovell's final punch, a right hand, split Krueger's nose. The time was 2:29 of the first round.

Pedro's record is now 12-1-2 with all his wins by knockouts. The gate was $32,100. Weights: Lovell, 201, Krueger, 201.

In the televised main event, Terry Sorrels, 223½, San Antonio, landed just one good punch—a right hand and it broke the nose of Earl McLeay, 202½, Calgary, Canada.

Sorrels was awarded a one round TKO win.

Tony Pulu, 210, Samoa, decision over Charlie (Budda) Brooks, 181, Los Angeles, (6); Claude Duran, 137, Los Angeles, KO over Isaias Velasquez, 136, East Los Angeles, (1); Frankie Duarte, 118, East Los Angeles, KO over Joaquin Heredia, 124½, Los Angeles, (2).

▲**LOS ANGELES, Cal.** — The action was swift and brief in the scheduled 10 round feature at the Olympic Auditorium.

Carlos Perez, 127, East Los Angeles, ripped Raul Centeno, 126, Mexico, out in the first round. A left-right combination ended matters after 2:14.

Andre Beard, 152½, Los Angeles, decisioned Jose Luis Rios, 156, Mexico, (6); Irish Rich Riley, 153, North Hollywood, outpointed over Jose Negrete, 151½, East Los Angeles, (5); Armando Cordova, 137, North Hollywood, KO over Roberto Reyes, 142, Los Angeles, (4); Frankie Duarte, 116½, East Los Angeles, got verdict over Manny Gonzales, 114, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**SACRAMENTO** — Monroe Brooks, a product of the Southwest area of Los Angeles, is currently the Capital City's prime ring attraction.

Brooks, 138½, brought out a gathering of 2000 to see him take a close 12 round decision over Rudy Barro, 140, Stockton, at the Memorial Auditorium.

The victory also gave Monroe the vacant State junior welterweight championship. Brooks is managed by Henry Davis, who was a top lightweight contender back in the early 50's.

Barro is an import from Manila, P.I.

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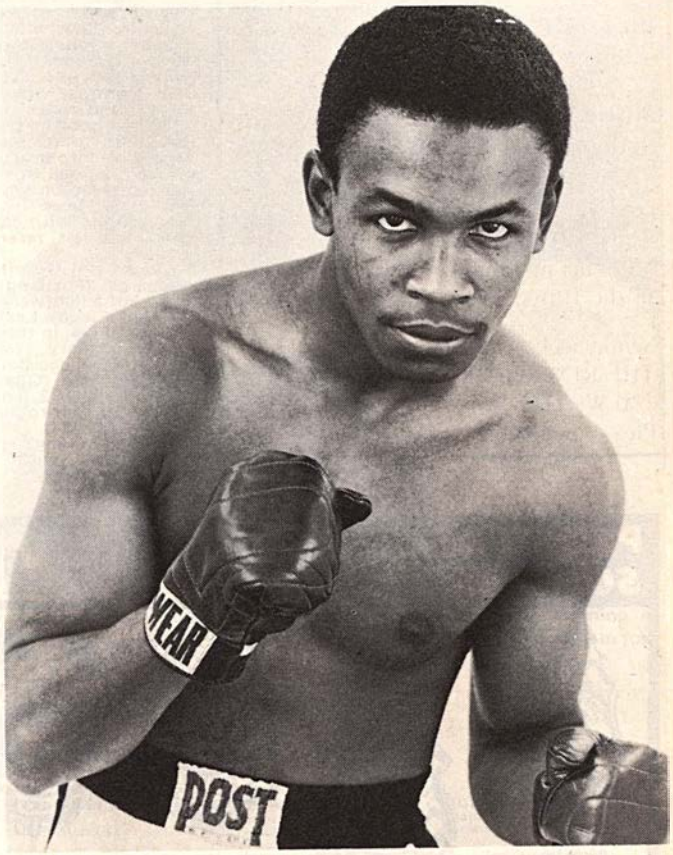
Jean Mateo, 158, Stockton, KO over Jose Martin Flores, 160, (3); Ray Thomas, 124½, Sacramento, and Felix Garcia, 129, San Jose, drew (6); Julio Lopez, 135, Stockton, decision over Tommy Greer, 140, Oakland, (6).



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▲**LOS ANGELES** — Making his first outing under the management of veteran Ralph Gambina, David Sotelo, 127½, East Angeles, halted Dave Diaz, 129, Guam, in the eight round of their scheduled 10-rounder at the Olympic.

Sotelo was far out in front on points, when a badly cut left eye forced Diaz to call it quits at the end of the seventh round.

Under California Commission rules, it was ruled an eighth round knockout.

Andy (The Hawk) Price, 140, Los Angeles, continued in the unbeaten class with an easy six round decision over Renaldo Victorio, 137½, Mexico, in the semifinal.

Frankie Duarte, 116½, East Los Angeles, KO over Juan Lopez, 120, Mexico, (4); Ramon Perez, 127½, Los Angeles, KO over Jose Gallegos, 124½, East Los Angeles, (1).

▲**SAN DIEGO** — Unbeaten Renato Garcia, 155, of Santiago, Chile; had to go full speed in the last two rounds to eke out a narrow 10 round decision over Jesus (Chucho) Garcia, 153, Reynosa, Mexico, in the feature event at the Coliseum.

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KETTLES UPSETS BUTLER IN HIS FIRST DEFEAT

By FRANK ALLNUTT

MONTREAL, Can. — At the Paul Sauve Arena, 1,228 fans paying $8,640 at the gate, witnessed a big local upset when Art Kettles, (New York), 148½, stopped hitherto unbeaten Marshall Butler (Montreal), 150½, in the tenth and final round.

Butler, who had won seventeen bouts in a row, suffered his first K.O. Kettles, who entered the ring with a 13-21 record, scored a very impressive, convincing upset win. Kettles suffered a K.O. loss in his first pro bout in 1970. Since that defeat he has not been stopped. This year he went the distance twice with Roger Menetrey in France, losing on decisions.

Butler started off in his usual confident manner winning three of the first four rounds. Before the end of the fourth, Kettles connected with a left hook to Butler's jaw which shook the Montreal boxer's confidence. From the fifth round on Kettles took control.

A right to the head in the closing seconds of the ninth round sent Butler staggering, rubber legged back to his corner at the bell.

At the bell for the tenth round, Kettles carried right on where he had left off. Butler could not keep his opponent at bay. Kettles was scoring with ease. With just 32 seconds of the round left, referee Gaby Mancini halted the bout.

Paul Colette (Montreal), K.Oed. Bobby Richards (Portland) in the eighth and final round of a lightweight match.

Jean Claude Leclair, 159, K.Oed. Jean Yves Filion, 160¾, in three rounds.

Jim Henry (Montreal), 140¾, won a unanimous decision, after six rounds, over Royal Boutin (Quebec), 143½. Jo Jo Jackson (Montreal), 132, and Gaetan Hart (Hull), 135, drew over four rounds.

▲**TORONTO** — The "Muhammad Ali Presents Boxing" series, after laying a large sized 'egg' with the Buchanan — Otero promotion here abandoned their plans to run monthly shows.

▲**TORONTO** — In a six round welterweight match seen on local T.V. Cecil King (Toronto) failed to impress Paul Sequin (Hull, Que.) with his flamboyant wardrobe worn for his T.V. appearance. Sequin did an impressive job of boxing from the opening bell, out-boxing and out-punching the taller King. At the 33 second mark of the fifth round, Sequin put the finishing touch to a good night's work with a short right to the jaw. King had no further interest in the matter at hand.

▲**TORONTO, Ont.** — Former world lightweight champion Ken Buchanan—put it all together against a courageous Frankie Otero, who failed to answer the bell for round six in an action-packed battle at the Maple Leaf Gardens.

Buchanan, who scaled 134 pounds for this rematch for their Miami Beach 10-round thriller last May 29, had control of the bout from the opening bell. The scot, who seemed to be punching with more authority than ever before, had Otero, 137, on the canvas with ten seconds to go in round one with a straight right hand on the temple. Otero jumped right up and took the mandatory eight count from referee Sammy Luftspring. The bell sounded before Buchanan could move in for the finish.

Only raw courage kept the 23-year old Cuban born Otero in the battle for the next four rounds. Time and time again Buchanan shook the youngster who had the instinctive ability to bounce back off the ropes with combinations to keep Buchanan from scoring another knockdown.

The small but vocal crowd of approximately 3,000, were on their feet cheering Otero on, but the additional five pounds that the Cuban had put on for the contest seemed to make him a bit sluggish.

The bell ending round five saved Otero as Buchanan was pouring on a two fisted attack that had Otero wandering about the ring apparently out on his feet. Luftspring went over to Otero's corner and manager Richie Riesgo and Dr. Ferdi Pacheco agreed with the referee that the bout should be stopped.

The 28-year old Buchanan upped his record to 50 wins against but two losses while registering his 20th knockouts. It was his seventh straight victory since losing the crown to Roberto Duran on June 26, 1972.

Otero, who won the hearts of the fans with his gutty effort against the superior skills of Buchanan, announced that he will drop back down to fighting either junior lightweights or featherweights.

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FREEMAN BEATS DICKENS IN VIRGINIA 8-ROUNDER

By JACK LEVINSON

NORFOLK, Va. — The Virginia Athletic Club, with Ray Williams the owner, decided to promote a boxing card at the SCOPE. The only thing Ray got was experience. His main mistake being his matchmaking.

Oscar Freeman the 38 year old veteran, had lost his previous bout at the SCOPE ARENA, to Irish "Mike" Baker. I am certain that the public was under the impression that Oscar was through due to his unfavorable previous contest. The public just stayed home.

With Oscar, weighing 162, outpunched Julius Dickens, 165, of Washington, D.C. The judges awarded Freeman the victory on a split decision, in the 8 round bout. . .

Greg Larmour, a Chesapeake policeman, won his second professional bout. Greg at 162, K.O.d Willie Crockett, of Winston-Salem, N.C. at 165. The bout lasted only 1:24 of the first round. This was the shortest lasting fight of the card. . .

World traveller Johnny Howard of Richmond, weighing 142, looked sharp, when Willie Crockett, 145, of Winston-Salem, slipped in early part of the second round, and was unable to move about, leaving the referee with only one alternative, to award Howard a T.K.O.

Julius Spell, 150, of Norfolk, lost his first professional fight, to Sylvester Wheeler, 151, of Washington.

▲Boxing-Cabaret style was introduced at the Portsmouth's Elks Lodge. An estimated 450 patrons cheered from behind cloth-covered tabletops as Rusty Fickling, All-Navy champion, won a 3 round decision over Joe Canney, of Bowie, Md. in the main event. In the remaining 3 round bouts, the results were:

Greg Mullins, USS Sierra, won 3 round decision over Kevin Conners, of USS America, in the 139 pound class. . .

Ed Farmer, of Langley Air Force Base, knocked out heavyweight Ernie Bryan, of Chesapeake, in the first round. . .

CONTEH'S GOING 15 WITH ROLLE LAID TO HAND INJURY IN FIFTH

By RON OLVER

LONDON, England – British boxing fans are divided into two camps. The more numerous contingent believes Johnny Conteh, Commonwealth light heavyweight champion, did all that could be expected of him in taking all 15 from Baby Boy Rolle with an injured left hand, suffered in the fifth round.

The antis insist that Conteh should have not been forced to go the whole distance of 15 rounds against a fighter who lost every round.

The score at the finish was 150 to 142 1-2. Conteh weighed 174 1-2 and Baby Boy 172 3-4.

The fight was held in the Nottingham Ice Stadium.

Rolle looked so weary in the final rounds, with his left eyelid cut and almost shut, that no one would have grumbled had it been stopped.

The main reason Conteh didn't stop his man was the injury to his own left hand, and after this he couldn't get his left hook working.

Rolle was determined not to give Conteh much of a chance anyway, holding at every opportunity, thus producing a boring contest. He was warned in the seventh, and the fans booed and slow hand-clapped.

For four rounds Conteh looked good. He jabbed neatly and with plenty of power, making his opponent's nose bleed, and looking the master. Then came the hand injury, but apart from a few overarm rights, most of which were off-target, Rolle couldn't do anything about it.

Still, Conteh is in good company. No one has yet succeeded in putting Rolle off his feet.

Southpaw Dave Needham, Nottingham, 119, won every round in outpointing Hiro Hamada, Japan, 119½, over ten by 100-95.

The durable Japanese never conceded an inch, always looking to take the fight to his opponent. Needham was the better boxer, and his southpaw stance presented more problems to Hamada than an orthodox boxer might have done.

An impressive display was turned in by

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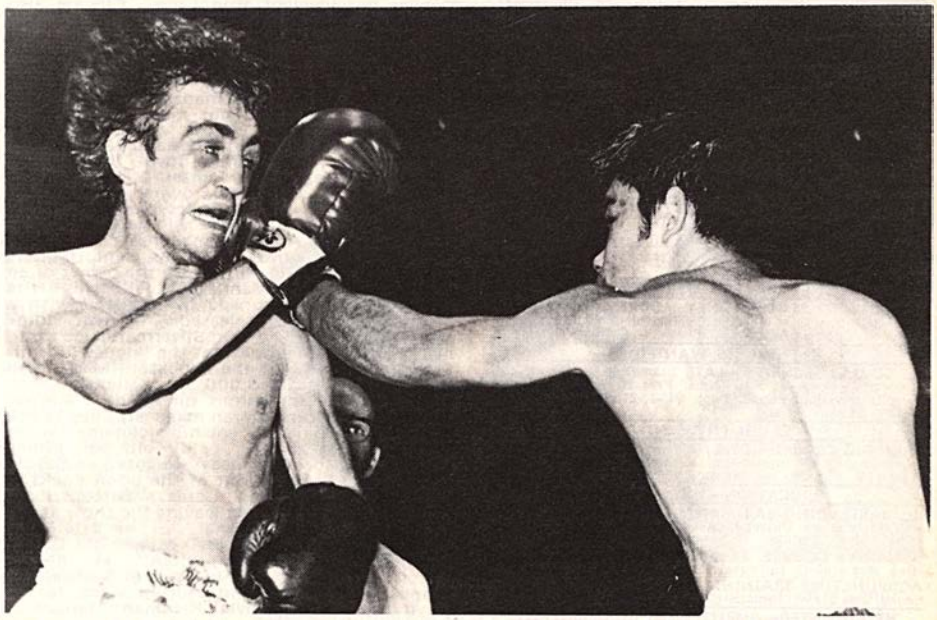

Johnny Clark (left), the European bantamweight champion, is on his way to winning a 10-round decision over Japan's Hiro Hamada at Royal Albert Hall. Hamada was a substitute for Italy's Sal Frabrizio.

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

(As of December 15, 1973)

HEAVYWEIGHT
Champion
Danny McAlinden (I)

1. Joe Bugner (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Bunny Johnson (J)
4. Richard Dunn (E)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Les Stevens (E)
7. Rocky Campbell (Ant.)
8. Fonomanu Sekona (Fiji)
9. Mani Vaka (T)
10. Wendell Newton (B)

CRUISERWEIGHT
Champion
John Conteh (E)

1. Chris Finnegan (E)
2. Maxie Smith (E)
3. Roy Johm (W)
4. Pat McCann (E)
5. Johnny Frankham (E)
6. Baby Boy Rolle (B)
7. Ronnie Wilson (C)
8. Gary Summerhays (C)
9. Greg McNamara (A)
10. Steve Cansdell (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHT
Champion
Tony Mundine (A)

1. Bunny Sterling (J)
2. Kevin Finnegan (E)
3. Battling Laavassa (Samoa)
4. Alan Minter (E)
5. Alipate Korovou (T)
6. Don McMillan (S)
7. Roy Lee (J)
8. Fred Etuati (Samoa)
9. Kahu Mahanga (NZ)
10. Peter Clay (Samoa)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHT
Champion
Hector Thompson (A)

1. Joe Tetteh (G)
2. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
3. Pat McCormack (I)
4. Eric Briggs (NZ)
5. Johnny Summerhays (C)
6. Leo Young (A)
7. Colin Cassidy (A)
8. Matt Ropis (A)
9. Jim Melrose (S)
10. Joey Singleton (E)

WELTERWEIGHT
Champion
Clyde Gray (C)

1. John H. Stracey (E)
2. Elisha Obed (B)
3. Eddie Blay (G)
4. Marshal Butler (C)
5. Bunny Grant (J)
6. Fernand Marcotte (C)
7. Rocky Mattioli (A)
8. Peter Cobblah (G)
9. Paul Moore (A)
10. Des Morrison (J)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHT
Champion
Charkey Ramon (A)

1. Nojim Maiyegun (N)
2. Larry Paul (E)
3. Carlos Marks (Trin)
4. Donato Piduano (C)
5. Pongi Lie (T)
6. Si Nomura (Samoa)
7. Matt Donovan (Tr)
8. Bobby Arthur (E)
9. Tom Imrie (S)
10. Frank Young (I)

LIGHTWEIGHT
Champion
Percy Hayles (J)

1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Manny Santos (NZ)
3. Al Ford (C)
4. Jim Watt (S)
5. Jonathan Dele (N)
6. Andy Broome (A)
7. Jimmy Revie (E)
8. Johnny Cheshire (S)
9. Angus McMillan (S)
10. Sonny Bell (A)

FEATHERWEIGHT
Champion
Bobby Dunne (A)

1. Art Hafey (C)
2. Love Allotey (G)
3. Toro George (NZ)
4. Evan Armstrong (S)
5. David Poison (G)
6. Jimmy Bell (S)
7. Bingo Crooks (J)
8. Tommy Glencross (S)
9. Howard Hayes (E)
10. Alan Richardson (E)

BANTAMWEIGHT
Champion
Paul Ferreri (A)

1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Dave Needham (E)
3. Paddy Maguire (I)
4. Sulley Shittu (G)
5. Fred Burns (A)
6. John Mitchell (S)
7. John Kellie (S)
8. Steve Gossen (A)
9. Brian Clout (A)
10. Steve Johnson (A)

FLYWEIGHT
Champion
Henry Nissen (A)

1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Big Jim West (A)
3. Brian Roberts (A)
4. David Natta (Z)
5. Bob Eggleton (A)

Legend: An Antigua; A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; In India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; Nz New Zealand; S Scotland; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

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Ralph Gambina, Los Angeles manager, divorced his wife of 30 years and got married again to a younger gal. . . Lou Gross was teaching Al Bachman's welterweight, Fernand Marcotte, at Miami Beach, and while down there under Gross' tutelage, he got himself a couple more wins. . . Howie Steindeer, owner of the Main Street Gym in Los Angeles, says his tiger, Danny "Little Red" Lopez will get a title shot in February. . . Al Braverman has connections all over the world and has sent fighters everywhere. . . "Big Al" is also the owner of an antique shop in Manhattan with his wife Renee. . . Emile Bruneau hospitalized with a heart attack. . .was released—and sent home after his siege. . . Sad Sam Silverman lived up to his name when he looked at the "house" for his first winter show at the Brockton, Mass., high school gym, (seats 3,000 for a fight). . .with just 600 paid admissions on hand. . . Always good to hear from veteran manager, Suey Welch on the coast. . . Suey got his nickname for his love for chop suey—. . . My old pal, Pinkie George, who brought heavyweights Lee Savold and Johnny Paychek out of the boon docks to box Joe Louis when Louis was tops, was attacked by hoods when leaving the show at the Olympic in Los Angeles. . . The late Jack Hurley had high hopes for heavyweight Boone Kirkman, but "Boom-Boom" as he is affectionately called by his fans in Seattle, was prone to injuries. . .and Hurley went to his grave heart-broken over Kirkman's failure. . . but now Kirkman has been winning on his comeback. . . How far it will take him should be interesting. . . George Parnassus never seems to grow old. . .he was in Brazil for the Eder Jofre title fight—then to Johannesburg, for the Anaya title match. . .and then to Paris to work out Jose Napoles—Carlos Monzon title fight. . . Could be that Art Hafey is the most potent thing to have left Canada since Canadian Club made it across the border. . . Irving Schoenwald is the promoter who is bringing boxing back to Chicago and his "big draw" in Windy City rings is Rocky DiFazio. . .whose ring style reminds veteran ringsider of Rocky Graziano. . . Dick Sadler continues as the trainer of George Foreman, but big George wants to control his own boxing destiny, which could prove a mistake, as he should be concentrating on his boxing ability and his opponents, not worrying about business. . . Promoter Aileen Eaton took a bathe with her Rodolfo Gonzalez—Antonio Puddu fight in Los Angeles. . .even though the house was 10,685 and her gate was a whopping $106,335—Aileen had guaranteed Gonzalez $60,000 and Puddu got $20,000 plus his expenses. . .which was too much. . .! ! Johnny Attell Former N.Y. Garden matchmaker, is dead. . . Veteran Massachusetts light heavyweight, Bob Benoit moonlights as an Oakham, Mass., policeman when not boxing for pay. . . Remember Pat Comiskey, who was a contender back in the Joe Louis era?? Today Pat is a teamsters local business agent in Los Angeles. . . Middleweight contender of yesteryear, Artie Levine, is an automobile dealer in New York. . . Good to hear that former lightweight champion Lew Jenkins is up and around after suffering a heart attack in Concord, California. . .where he now resides. . .what ever happened to his first wife and Manager Katie. Former welter champ, Don Jordan, has been made a supervisor in a California aircraft plant. . . Coley Wallace, who duked Rocky Marciano in the amateurs, and played the part of Joe Louis in a movie years ago, is a boxing referee in Gotham. . . Johnny Flores, who was the trainer and advisor of Jerry Quarry before he got big time, is now looking to promote fights in San Bernadino, California. . . Ernie Braca, who brought Sugar Ray Robinson back after Ray had quit, and managed Tommy Bell and Tony Anthony, is dead of a heart attack in New York at the age of 74. . . Frankie Otero picked up a check for $6,000 and a drubbing for boxing former king, Ken Buchanan in Toronto. . .my old pal, Sammy Luftspring was the referee for that one. . . Club-fighting George "Red" Doty, of Hartford, Conn., back in the forties, is now a referee there. . .where former middleweight contender, Chico Vejar is the secretary for the boxing commission. . . Without veteran manager, Bill Daly, Ken Norton would be boxing for peanuts today—Bill is the one who made the two Ali fights which made Norton famous—maybe a champ someday, too. . . Ken Norton was on the "Dating Game" on national TV and the gal he "won" for a date was Ruth Hicks, a real class gal with good looks to boot—and they went to Hawaii through the courtesy of Dating Game. . . The parking lot attendant at the Main Street Gym in Los Angeles may not speak a word of English, but he sure can count—everybody pays—even saw welterweight contender Ernie "Red" Lopez coming up with the cincuenta centavos (50 cents). . . The old Ridgewood Grove Club in New York now is a supermarket and the Eastern Parkway is being used for bingo—where did all the small clubs go???. . . Pete Vital, Jr., a Los Angeles lightweight with a record of 19-3-4, is handled by his father, who was a boxer a few years back. . .

Denver heavyweight Ron Lyle, who is now being trained by Chickie Ferrara, throws 50 yard passes and can kick a football 60 yards with accuracy—so maybe if Ron doesn't make it big in boxing, he can catch on with some pro team in the N.F.L. Reports from Philly say that Jack Rodgers, who twice crossed gloves with Joey Giardello, was stabbed to death in a bar-room brawl. . . Jake LaMotta who is toiling in the Mardi Gras in Manhattan, is planning to take his seventh bride for a walk down the aisle. . . Why isn't Eddie Perkins getting a shot at the welterweight title?? Henry Clark, California heavyweight who severed managerial ties with my old friend, Joe Herman, plans to move to Florida and campaign down there. . . Henry gave Al Jones a great fight a few years back, and could be a big hit in Florida rings. . . Gary Canzoneri, nephew of the late champion, Tony, is spreading all sorts of Tony Canzoneri pictures on the walls of his Coffee Cup Restaurant in Miami Beach. . . Billy Petrolle, the old "Fargo Express" was visiting with old friends in Florida recently and he still misses his old ex-manager, Jack Hurley. . . Petrolle is 69 and lost his last fight to the late Barney Ross in New York in 1934. Billy is a veteran of 255 battles. . .all great ones at that. . . Record books really do not tell enough about boxers. . .and are hard to make matches by—. . . Sam Pian, former Chicago boxing manager who had a hand in getting Tony Zale his world title, just passed his 76th milestone. . . Joe Louis has his health again and the kids still scramble for his autograph. . .

Neil Cooper, president of International Numismatic Agency, said a Joe Louis commemorative medal honoring the former king of the ring, is now available. . .one side depicts Louis in a fighting pose. . .and the other features Louis' smashing a-one-round KO over Max Schmeling. . .in 1938—. Cleveland "Big Cat" Williams recently recorded a three round kayo win in the Bahammas. . . Congratulations are in order for Harry Markson, former director of boxing for Madison Square Garden, who was recently inducted into the Garden Hall of Fame. . . Dale Hernandez, who fights out of Des Moines, Iowa, and has twice fought in Denver and other big fight towns around the circuit. . .suffered pulled ligaments when he stepped in a hole while running early one morning—he might get back into action this month as his ankle is now free of the cast. . . Jurgen Blin, German heavyweight on the comeback trail, should reconsider—he was demolished by Ron Lyle in Denver—and didn't show an awful lot in a losing cause. . .but then again, who does when assaulted that quickly?? Blin captured the European heavyweight title on June 9th, 1972 when he won a unanimous decision in Madrid over Span's Jose Urtain—two years earlier Urtain was awarded a 15 round decision victory in Barcelona. . .but now Blin is through—and should be retired before it is too late. . . After blowing the duke to Andy Kendall, no kid himself, do you suppose Mike Quarry is on the skids?? Don Fullmer, veteran West Jordan, Utah ring campaigner for years, has hung up the gloves. . . Always nice to hear from Bruce Trampler, the youthful fight manager, who is rapidly building the biggest fight stable anywhere. . . Trampler has boxers all weights. . .and ready for action. . . Bill Connolly and brother Jim, have done a tremendous job on their gym in South Boston, Mass. . .fixed everything up and this is the spot for the boys to work-out when in Beantown for some fistic action. . . John Coiley, Sr., father of former N.E. middleweight champ, Johnny, Jr., has two sons growing up who, he claims, will be better than their older brother. . . Artie Curley is one of the better corner-men operating in New York—. . . Dominick Poliafico, the manager of Bobby Haymon, will open another bar in Cleveland and with "El Toro" around, there will be no need to hire a bouncer. . .

SCHMIDTKE LOSES DISPUTED DECISION IN FOURIE FIGHT

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, Germany – This column usually takes care of action in Europe but this month preference must be given to Dutch Rudi Lubbers and German–Rudiger Schmidtke. They travelled abroad for generous purses with hopes of winning which could have brought them fortunes.

Unfortunately for Lubbers and Schmidtke they lost. There was no question regarding Lubbers' defeat by Muhammad Ali in Jakarta. But Pierre Fourie's victory over Schmidtke was not accepted by all the experts present. Lubbers stayed the full course of 12 rounds against Ali, which surprised most and saw the betting boys lose money. They bet on which round the Dutchman would fall. Immediately excuses were made for Ali's poor showing, taking a great deal of credit away from Lubbers, whose courage and braveness came in an unlimited supply. Sure Ali was still nursing a damaged right hand from his previous bout, with Ken Norton. Sure he had everything to lose, having already signed to meet Joe Frazier, and for sure he regretted putting his name to the contract for this Jakarta engagement.

But let's not forget that in 22 bouts no man had decked the Dutchman and even Muhammed Ali couldn't be the first.

Don't say he did not try! Of all the press photographs I have seen of this bout all show Lubbers on the defensive. None of the press photographers appear to have captured a shot of Lubbers landing his left and right hooks on Ali. Manager Henk Ruhling told me that they were aware of Ali's damaged right and in preparation for this fight the plan was to avoid a left hand punch.

During the fight it was noticeable that Ali used his right only when he had Lubbers at close quarters. The humidity, somewhere around 100, took a great deal out of both fighters.

All three officials made Muhammad Ali the winner. The scoring: Lim Kee Chan, 60-45, Chris Scinneder 60-40 and Leon Jannes 59-52.

After the fight both Ali and Angelo Dundee paid tribute to the courageous Lubbers, who deserved every cent of his record purse amounting to $50,000. That Ali was worth his $200,000 is debatable.

Lubbers left behind with the tax men some $5,000 and these grabbers also relieved Ali of 10%. On his arrival back home he will have to hand over about $100,000 in taxes. The tax men have no friends.

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Former welter and middleweight champion Emile Griffith happily gives his autograph to a Paris policeman after a training session for his bout with Australia's Tony Mundine. Mundine defeated Griffith in a one-sided 12-rounder.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(As of December 13, 1973)

Heavyweight
*1. Joe Bugner (UK)
2. Bepi Ros (I)
3. Jose Urtain (S)
4. Mario Baruzzi (I)
5. Rudi Lubbers (H)
6. Berd August (G)
7. Hartmut Sasse (G)
8. Jan Lubbers (H)
9. Casimiro Martinez (S)
10. Ray Patterson (Sw)

Light Heavies
*1. John Conteh (GB)
2. Tom Bogs (D)
3. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
4. Karl Heinz Klein (G)
5. Conny Velensek (G)
6. Aldo Traversaro (I)
7. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
8. Eric Nussbaum (Switz)
9. Renzo Grespan (I)
10. Mario Almanzo (I)

Middleweights
*1. Elio Calcabrini (I)
2. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
3. Max Cohen (F)
4. Fabio Bettini (I)
5. Gratien Tonna (F)
6. Sauro Soprani (I)
7. Eckhard Dagge (G)
8. Tom Jensen (D)
9. Joel Le Guern (F)
10. Michele Chapier (F)

Junior Middles
*1. Jacques Kechichian (F)
2. Silvano Bertini (I)
3. Johann Orsolics (A)
4. Francis Vermandere (F)
5. Jose Duran (S)
6. Fighting Mack (H)
7. Christian Larsen (D)
8. Aldo Bentini (I)
9. Max Heibesen (Switz)
10. Randolph Hombach (G)

Welterweights
*1. Roger Menetrey (F)
2. Jorgen Hansen (D)
3. Marco Scano (I)
4. Jose Gonzalez (S)
5. Giuliano Nervino (I)
6. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
7. Walter Blaser (Switz)
8. Kurt Hombach (G)
9. Domenico Di Iorio (I)
10. Waldimiro Rigs (I)

Junior Welters
*1. Toni Ortiz (S)
2. Bruno Arcari (I)
3. Roger Zami (F)
4. Cemal Kamaci (T)
5. Piero Ceru (I)
6. Romano Fanali (I)
7. Bernard Creton (F)
8. Baldessarre Picone (F)
9. Bruno Freschi (I)
10. Tomasso Marocco (I)

Lightweights
*1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Elfisio Pinna (I)
3. Enzio Pizzoni (I)
4. Giuseppe Carbonara (I)
5. Enzo Petriglia (I)
6. Perico Fernandez (S)
7. Dominque Azzaro (F)
8. Manuel Calvo (S)
9. Leonard Tavarrez (F)
10. Jean Piedvache (F)

Junior Lights
*1. Lothar Abend (G)
2. Ugo Poli (I)
3. Mario Redi (I)
4. Mario Sanna (I)
5. Giogio Merlin (I)
6. Felix Brami (F)
7. Domingo Jiminez (S)
8. Miguel Molleda (S)
9. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
10. Dominico Chilorio (I)

Featherweights
*1. Gitano Jiminez (S)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Elio Cotena (I)
4. Daniel Vermandere (F)
5. Bruno Pieraci (I)
6. Radolfo Garcia (S)
7. Nevio Carbi (I)
8. Ramiro Suarez (S)
9. Enzo Farinelli (I)
10. Ramiro Marichal (S)

Bantamweights
*1. Johnny Clark (GB)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Bob Allotey (S)
4. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
5. Guy Caudron (F)
6. Tony Sassarini (I)
7. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
8. Ferdinando Ripamonti (I)
9. Luigi Tessarini (I)
10. Efisio Onidi (I)

Flyweights
*1. Fernardo Atzori (I)
2. Fritz Chervet (Switz)
3. Enio Pireddu (I)
4. Franco Sperati (I)
5. Dino Contemori (I)
6. Mario Garcia (S)
7. Franco Udella (I)
8. Giovani Mura (I)
9. Kid Romero (S)
10. Dominque Cesari (F)

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AUSSIE CHAMPION THOMPSON ●FINDS MARQUEZ BEATABLE●

By RAY MITCHELL

Sydney, Australia: Australia and Commonwealth junior-welterweight champion Hector Thompson (138) was far too good for Puerto Rican Jose Marquez (138½) in their ten-rounder at Brisbane. Thompson dictated the fight and won by a big margin of points. He was able to do this because the brilliant ability he had had below the surface for so long, came to the fore in his second previous bout, and stayed through this one.

Hector now is a force in the world junion-welter division and must have a great hance against champion Antonio Cervantes, basing this belief on the fact that Marquez took Cervantes to a split decision in a title tilt.

Thompson could have stopped Marquez if he had opened up more in the last couple of rounds, but with the fight safely in his keeping, he did not want to unduly punish his opponent.

In the main eight-round support to Thompson-Marquez, Guinea Hillier (119) and Barry Townsend (118), two Aussies, turned on a war, with Hillier being stronger and more persistent. Townsend withdrew at the end of the fourth round.

▲The Stadiums Ltd. so-called Australian welterweight champions haven't been doing so well. Refusing to recognise real champion Rocky Mattioli who removed the crown from undisputed title-holder Jeff White in May. The Firm has had a series of pretenders in the short space of a few months. Alan Aldenhoven, Stadiums first pretender, lasted three months before being blasted by Wayne Bannister. Wayne, in turn, lasted a little longer but was outpointed by a big margin by Paul Moore. That was at Melbourne.

It was a hard and tiring fight, with courage the keynote (both boys revealed plenty of that), but it lacked the class one expects of a title fight. Moore won nearly all the 15 rounds, but the real champ Mattioli would start favourite with me to beat the two on the one night.

Moore is not the boxer he was when outpointed by Mattioli two years ago, and Rocky now, at 20 years of age, is more mature and a far better fighter than he was at 18.

▲Australian and Commonwealth bantam champion Paul Ferreri (117) received the shock of his life from young aboriginal Brian Roberts. (115¾) in their ten-rounder at Melbourne. Terry Reilly's decision was roundly hooted. As an observer I had Ferreri just one point in front at the finish.

Ferreri had to come from behind in the last couple of rounds. His experience, his blistering finish, allied to Roberts tiring, turned the scales the champion's way.

Roberts showed, however, that he has the key to beating southpaw Ferreri. He made Ferreri lead, backmoved the lead and slammed in counters to head and body. Ferreri has lost only one fight in his career of 43. Roberts has lost three in 22.

▲Samoan-born New Zealander Ali Afakasi (146½) gave Victoria State welter champion Darryl Carrick (146) a nice old going-over in their ten at Melbourne Festival Hall, Oct. 15. Afakasi was too fast, too clever and had a good workout against the local. Afakasi has improved greatly since last viewing him.

▲Another improver is local Danny Agnew. Coming in at 134, he was all over Al Mander (133) like a rash in their New South Wales State lightweight title tilt at Woonona-Bulli. The end came at the termination of the fourth round, due to Mander receiving a cut eye from a right-hand punch that split the eyebrow like a melon in that round. Agnew was a long way in front, and even without the eye-cut, I (as referee) would have stopped the fight soon after unless Mander could have done better. Good performance by Agnew.

▲Australian lightweight champion Colin Cassidy (139) outpointed his leading contender Leo Young (139) in a non-title ten at North Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray, Oct. 24. It was a good fight and Young deserves a title shot.

In an eight-round support, Juan Reno (146) koncked out Eric King (147) in the fifth round.

▲Two weeks later Cassidy was in action again. So was Reno. They opposed each other at Marrickville and Cassidy came in surprisingly heavy at 143¼. Reno scaled 147¾. Cassidy stopped his man in the final round of a ten.

▲At Perth, Olympian Mick O'Brien (124) won the Western Australia State featherweight title by knocking out Winston Stokes (123) in the 8th round. O'Brien looks a comer.

▲South Sydney Kingsford, continues weekly with good fights under match-maker Bernie Hall. Dennis Bell (139) boxed well to outpoint Lou Cruz (142). Bell's best performance, while Cruz seemed to have the edge off him. These two factors added to a win for Bell.

▲The following week Roy Hughes (130) outpointed Peter Knott (129) but they showed they are not ready for main-events.

▲One week later Kim Miller (169) surprised by outpointing Tami Thomas (177). Thomas allowed Miller to get away with a big lead in the first two rounds when Tami did practically nothing. The start was too great and Miller finished a shade ahead.

▲Seven nights later Wayne Cullen (144) outpointed Sid Dumbrell (147) in a good bout. Cullen's straight left won him the fight, although his right hand scored the only knockdown. Judge Ewan Kay and I, as ref, came up with identical cards, while Judge Dick Kerr varied by only one point, all for Cullen.

▲At Riverwood Legion Club, John Wooden (178) tossed a surprise into Sam Ngata (172) by outpointing him over ten.

▲At St Marys Band Club, Tongan Eli Fanua (164) outpointed Kim Miller (167) over ter.. At Cronulla, Alex Laurin (158) KO 4 Laurie Cooper (155). Final result comes from Brookvale, Alen Hedger (123) outpointed Frank Minnecon (125).

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By MIKE HAYES

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OBED CRUSHES RIGGS IN ● FOUR, NEW FLORIDA HIT ●

By HANK KAPLAN

Miami Beach, Fla.: A new fighting talent was unveiled at the Miami Beach Auditorium in the refreshing style and crisp punching of Elisha Obed, 154 Nassau, as he crushed Dennis Riggs, 159, Jacksonville, in the fourth of a scheduled ten rounder.

From the beginning, Elisha showed a remarkable left jab and stayed on top of the dancing Riggs, punping left hooks to head and body when Dennis slowed down. His left hook was damaging but his right was responsible for upending Riggs several times during the fray.

The right hand finisher put Dennis Riggs, currently rated as the Florida middleweight champion, on the canvas for the full count in round 4.

Obed, one of ten childern and presently welterweight champion of the Bahama Islands, remained undefeated in 39 fights with 23 knockouts.

In a companion ten rounder, James Summerville, 242, Miami, fought a rousing battle against former opponent Rene Kinsey, 193, Miami, with Summerville taking another win in unanimous fashion. Big James started the "war" with a boxing style to the displeasure of the fans but lost little time in returning to his rapid-fire punching style.

In an eight rounder, Ike Hooks, 144, Philadelphia, returned to action following a minor surgical procedure and looked sharp in outpointing strong-punching Henry Thomas, 146, Miami.

In a scheduled sixer, Joe Hooks, 168, Philadelphia, brother of Ike, was not as fortunate as he became a 4th round technical knockout victim of newcomer Sammy (Kid) Barr, 160, Nassau. Though only with six pro fights under his belt, Barr demonstrated punching power as he placed Hoods on wobbly legs in the fourth round forcing the referee to halt the action.

In the final of the evening, Al Migliorato, 202, Wampum, Pa., remained undefeated through 20 bouts as he knocked out James Youngblood, 201, Miami, in the third round. Migliorato was recently selected as the heavyweight prospect of the award by Ring Magazine.

▲An unknown entity to most of Miami ring patrons before entering the ring at the Miami Beach Auditorium, Roy Williams, 226½ pounder from Philadelphia, introduced enough fighting prowess to retard the progress of promising Oliver Wright, 202, Kingston, Jamaica.

Williams used his greater dimensions of height and reach to advantage and proved a boxer of some quality. His punches were damaging around the eyes of Wright who was unable to uncork his usually dependable right hand. Wright tried desperately to penetrate the defenses of Williams but the Philadelphian never deviated from his boxing course. He used a long left jab and hooks to the body and head along with a chopping right hand to swell Oliver's face.

By the middle of round six, the ring Physician and referee felt that Wright had enough and the action was halted.

In a companion ten invading Venezualan Octavio Romero, 178, inpressed a crowd of over 2000 with the workmanlike job he did on previously unbeaten Tony Greene, 170, Miami, in unanimous fashion.

A respectable puncher, Romero found Greene a fast moving target but landed frequently enough to gain the certain verdict in his favor. Boosting his record to 24-2-0, Romero lookd like a title challenger for the future in the light heavyweight division.

In a six rounder, Rickie Samaratana, 138¾, of the Mendoza Group in Miami, copped a six round unamimous decision over Henry Thomas, 141½, Miami, in a hard fought battle. Samaratana, whose record is now 6-2-0, scored decisively with left hooks to the head and body.

Unbeaten Al Migliorato, 205, Miami, stopped Johnny Wilson, 192, Miami, in the last round of a shceduled four. Al clowned for the first three stanzas to amuse the crowd and then opened up with a flurry of hard blows as round four opened to deck his opponent.

In an amateur opener, John Kronick, Miami Beach, outpointed Mark Stein, Miami Beach, while showing they were a couple of kids who love to fight.

▲In the most important amateur fight of this area's history, the national reigning AAU lightweight champion, Aaron Pryor, 134, of Cincinatti, split-decisioned Ritchie Lee Roberts, 135, Miami after three of the wildest swinging rounds yet witnessed in the City of Miami Arena in Coconut Grove, Florida.

Ritchie came out strong and sharp flashing his class and won round one but the experienced Pryer showed versatility as he came back in rounds two and three to win the affair. Pryor's superior ability was obvious as he connected with the most telling blows of the contest. Both combatants had the crowd on its feet with the followers of Roberts cheering to the end.

Alfred Paret, 70 pound gamecock son of the late Benny Kid Paret, former World welterweight champion, dropped a closely fought decision to Ricky Kyles, 75, Miami.

In a corking good scrap, Ben (Wildman) Hammond, 173, outfought Rodney Moore, 173.

Jose Doninguez, 112, TKO'd Oscar Thomas, 115, in the third round.

Jesse Wells, 164, stopped Rodney Wright, 160, in round three

Ronald Robinson, 160, scored a second round TKO over Willie Scott, 164.

Ken Garrison, 143, kayoed Earl Crumiel, 144, in the initial round.

Earl Sutton, 168, put the full count on Eddie Ruffin, 160, in the second round.

Martin Wasielewsky, 150, won on a second round TKO over Terry Rander, 150.

This match, of national interest in amateur circles, was one of many planned by promoter Dick Lee designed to develop Miami as a prime area for amateur tourneys, drew one of the largest crowds of the season to the weekly boxing show sponsered by the City of Miami.

▲Back to the regular grind at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym, is Angelo Dundee who just returned from a lengthy tour in the orient. Muhammad Ali at Djakarta, Indonesia ten round win over Rudi Lubbers was part of the itinerary . . . Irish Jimmy Clinch, a Connecticut scrapper during the heydays of Lou Kid Kaplan, and currently the Chief Inspector of the new Connecticut State Athletic Commission, is vacationing on Miami Beach and spending some time with Jackie Pilkington . . . Miami-based welterweight, Dario Hidalgo, captured the split nod over Jose Rodriguez in ten rounds at the Felt Forum in New York . . . One of Miami's best amateur matches is Jaun Hidalgo, brother of Dario and making great strides on Dick Lee's shows . . . Popular referee, Bill Hartnett, who has a long time history in intelligence gathering activities with the U. S. Army, has recently been elected President of the National Counter Intelligence Corps Association . . . In a boxing show at Atlanta, three Miamians returned with the "bacon" as Jimmy Ellis, former WBA heavyweight champion, kayoed Al Jones, Memphis, in the 7th round, Al Migliorato scored a third round knockout over Randy Jackson in a heavyweight duel, and middleweight Gene Wells easily outscored Bobby Songbird Williams enroute to a seventh round TKO . . . Al Migliorato, the entertaining Wampum, Pa. heavyweight, is currently undefeated in 17 pro bouts . . . In a show put on in conjunction with the $110,000 Virginia Slims championship Women's Tennis Tournament, Elisha Obed, Bahamian welterweight champion, remained unbeated in 39 bouts as he stopped Jose Melendez of Puerto Rico in the 8th round . . . Former welterweight Billy Lauderdale, during the 1950's, who boxed all the top stars of the South Florida area under manager Jerry White, is now one of the leading construction contractors in the same area of his great boxing duels . . . Alfredo Escalera, leading light of San Juan who recently stopped Frankie Otero, was a visitor at the Miami Beach Auditorium . . .

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By HENRY YOUNG

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Mono Gomez (Mexico) lightweight, KO over Dennis White (Belize) in the 5th round of a schedule 6 round bout.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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In a second 10-rounder, newcomer Felix Jasso, 139, Mexico, stopped Tony Bellard, 137½, Orange, in the seventh round.

Victor Abraham, 133, San Diego, KO over Tony Niebla, 135, Los Angeles, (5); Manuel Castillo, 141½, Los Angeles, decision over Polo Lopez, 141, Mexico, (4).

▲**RICHMOND** – Irish Terry Lee, 171½, former State light heavyweight champion, decisioned Alfonso Gonzalez, 173½, Los Angeles, in a hard fought 10-rounder at Civic Auditorium.

Andre Beard, 153½, Los Angeles, decisioned Jose Luis Rios, 153, Mexico, (6); Tony Sanchez, 135, Oakland, KO over Vicente Hernandez, 133, Mexico, (2).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – Favored Oscar Albarado, 158, Uvalde, Texas, couldn't floor Eddie Mazon, 153, Hermosillo, Mex., in their 10-rounder at the Olympic, but piled up enough points to take a unanimous decision. Oscar was just too powerful for young Mazon, inflicting damage on Eddie's nose and right eye.

Referee Eddie Fierro scored it 7-3; judge Dick Steele, 7-2 and judge Dick Young, 6-4.

Lalo Barrientos, 158½, Bakersfield, dropped Jose Luis Rios, 162, Mexico, twice in the second round, then finished him off in the third. This was a scheduled six.

Carlos Becerril, 129, Los Angeles, KO over Ray Perez, 127, East Los Angeles, (2); Marc Thomas, 151½, Los Angeles, KO over Lonnie Travis, 153½, Bakersfield, (4); Felix Garcia, 127½, East Los Angeles, decision over Martin Alvarez, 127½, Mexico, (4).

▲**SACRAMENTO** – Everybody's No. 1 welterweight contender, Hedgemon Lewis, 145½, Los Angeles, had few problems handling Rudy Barro, 142, Stockton, in their scheduled 10-rounder at the Memorial Auditorium.

Using strong body attack, Hedgemon ko'ed Barro midway in the third round.

▲**SAN CARLOS** – Ray Lunny III kept his win streak intact with an easy 10 rounder over Alberto Reyes, 137, Manila, P.I., at the Circle Star Theatre.

A sellout crowd which paid $11,400 watched Lunny dazzle Reyes with a educated left hand. There were no knockdowns. Young Lunny weighed 136½, and fights out of Palo Alto under the direction of his father, Ray Lunny Sr.

▲**LOS ANGELES** – Armando Muniz showed little of the form he displayed in knocking out Ernie (Red) Lopez several months previous to his 10-rounder with Jose Miranda, 148½, Tijuana, at Olympic.

Muniz collected a unanimous verdict, but it was close with judges Dick Young and Larry Rozadilla coming up with 5-4 and 5-3 scores respectively.

Referee Dick Steele liked Muniz by a 7-2 margin.

A point was deducted from Miranda in the ninth round for ejecting his mouthpiece a second time.

It was a toe to toe affair with Muniz finishing up the stronger of the two in the late rounds. Armando weighed 150½.

Javier Muniz, 139, brother of Armando, drew with Andy Price, 139, Los Angeles, (6); Johnny Castro, 136, East Los Angeles, decision over Rod Contreas, 132½, Los Angeles, (6); Jose Negrete, 156, East Los Angeles, KO over Rich Riley, 153½, North Hollywood, (3).

OLD BROADWAY

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appointed to the State Commission as a referee... Some of the title fights he has refereed: Pastrano vs Torres... Torres vs Thornton... Tiger vs Torres... Tiger vs Giardello... Griffith vs Archer... Clay vs Folley... Benvenuti vs Griffith... Buchanan vs Duran and Foster vs DePaula.

We haven't scratched the surface but space will not permit more about this man who is at present sales representative for Blue Crest Wine & Spirits Co., in Astoria, N.Y. Johnny and his childhood sweetheart, Frances, have four children, daughter Mrs. Peter Lazarus and three sons–Tommy, Johnny and Alfred.

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Tidbits–Ike Williams, former lightweight champion, back in sport as trainer of Eugene Idolette, managed by Joe Parnham... Congratulations to Jimmy O'Connor, of Ring 8, honored at the St. Thomas Aquinas boxing show in Brooklyn with a memorial award in the name of his buddy, Ray Meyers... "Irish" Eddie Brooks also being presented at the show with the Jack Britton award... And a salute to Syd Peskin who was again honored by Ring 34 by being re-elected to his Post as President for his second term.

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Petey Hayes, a member of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21, in Brooklyn, is quite a guy. Like Sammy Venti, of the same organization, their hobby is presenting fight shows at various churches... Petey loves to talk fights. Boxed ten years, from 1918 to 1928 and was managed by Tony Palizolla, of Boston, with his trainer, Whitey Bimstein. Among those he met were Joe Glick, Red Cap Wilson, Chubby Brown, Frankie Pitcher and Willie Herman, from Passaic... Pete now 61... He and wife Margaret parents of Josie, Johnny, Nettie and Peter. Now a messenger with the Spartan Lithograph Co.

An oddity about Petey. His brother-in-law, Tony Ferrara, also became a boxer and took the same name, 'Petey Hayes'. He was quite a little gladiator, being a featherweight. He holds a decision over Kid Chocolate.

Ran into Ray Monahan, now 60, still seen on the fistic beat... He and brother Jack one time promoted the fights at Fort Hamilton... Now vice-president of the Liquor Salesman's Union and has many former boxers working there.

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Some months ago we wrote about Harold Mays and news about the one time sparring mate to Gene Tunney, when he was training for his first Jack Dempsey bout in Philadelphia in 1926... Now his pal, Charles Lautermilch, gives us the lowdown on another sparring partner of Tunney's, Billy Vidabeck, another old friend of ours... The Bayonne man, who mixed with some of the best in his day, joined the police department in 1928 and promoted to Sergeant in 1943, Lieutenant 1946, Captain 1953 and Inspector 1957, Deputy Chief in 1958 and then was made chief of the Bayonne Police Dept... Billy retired in 1970 and was appointed Director of Public Safety, which makes him boss of the police and fire departments in Bayonne... Billy, who was born July 29, 1904, altogether spent 42 years in the police department... Gene Tunney will tell you Vidabeck and Mays were a couple of nice guys to have as spar mates.

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We had a query about Mike Ballerino, the one time junior lightweight champion of the world, who also came from Bayonne, N.J. Mike was champion in 1925. He left Bayonne in 1947 to live in Florida and died on April 4, 1965, at age 64.

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... The Citizens Savings Boxing Hall of Fame located in Los Angeles, Cal., founded in 1949,... has a long list of honorees, which includes champions from the Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson era... The latest added to the Coast Hall of Fame were two former light heavyweight champions–Maxie Rosenbloom and Billy Conn...

PUDDU HALTED BY GONZALEZ IN 10TH

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The doctor settled the argument after the tenth round and before the bell summoned the fighters to Round 11.

Puddu was a good drawing card. The house in the Sports Arena numbered better than 10,000 and the take came to $106,335.

Puddu's showing shocked the Italian colony of Los Angeles as it had been led to believe that the Sardinian had a chance for the WBC title.

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Our files show that thousands of readers like yourself want to build bulging muscles and achieve real physical power like their favorite athletic champions. How to go about it? We decided to ask an expert, Dave Prowse, 3-times British Weightlifting champion and leading fitness expert. Here are his answers.

Q. *What does it take to build muscles?*

A. Basically, it takes exercise. Almost any exercise will help to develop at least some of your muscles if you keep at it long enough and hard enough.

Q. *Isn't there an easier way?*

A. Yes. There is one outstandingly effective training method that is also fast and easy—the one I use and recommend—the new Bullworker system.

Q. *What's that?*

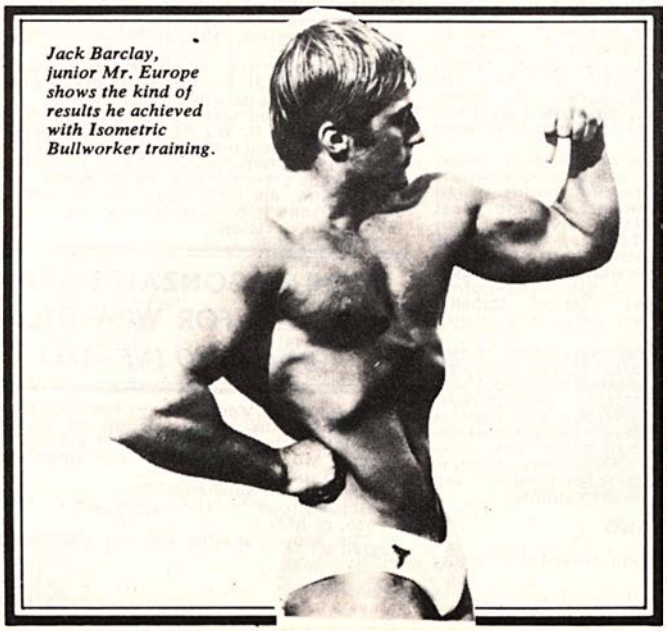
A. The Bullworker is a revolutionary new muscle-building exerciser based on Isometrics, the science that increases strength up to four times faster than conventional methods. In my opinion, it's the most advanced training system in the world today. Many leading athletes use it: World-famous Heavyweight Boxer Muhammad Ali, World Heavyweight Judo Champion Wim Ruska, and Cycling Champion Eddy Merckx, to name only a few.

Q. *How long does Bullworker training take?*

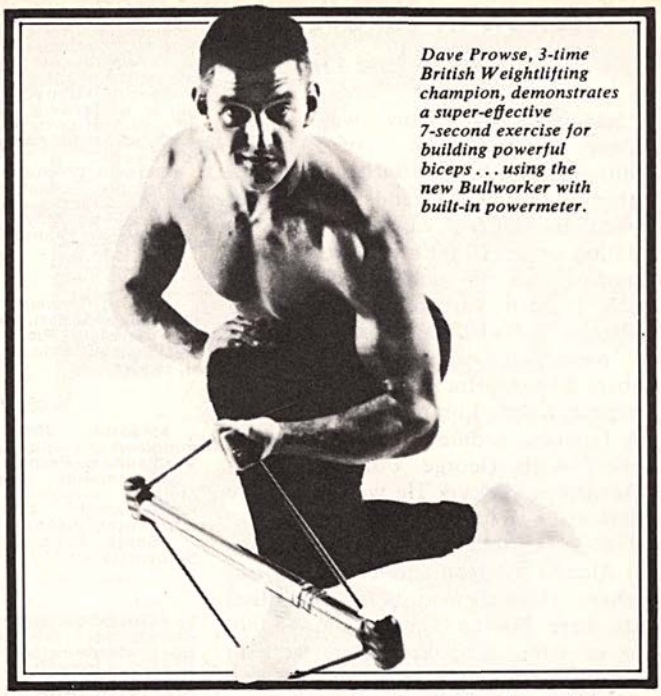
A. Bullworker provides absolutely the fastest kind of exercise possible. In fact, an introduction training program takes only 70 seconds a day. No other system—weightlifting, pulleys, or strenuous calisthenics—can give you results so quickly and easily. On the contrary, many old-fashioned methods take hours of sweaty, boring work each day... and it's often months before you begin to see improvements. Busy professional athletes and champions don't have time for that. Nobody does.

Q. *How long does it take before you begin getting results?*

A. With the Bullworker, you can actually begin to see and measure the positive results right from the very first day! Thanks to a built-in measuring device called the Powermeter. After every exercise you just check the reading to see exactly how much your strength has increased from the day before. There's no guesswork involved. Isometric Bullworker training can increase your power at the amazing rate of up to 4% per week! That means a 50% increase in strength in the first three months alone. And I've known many young men who have gone on to double and even triple their strength.



Jack Barclay, junior Mr. Europe shows the kind of results he achieved with Isometric Bullworker training.



Dave Prowse, 3-time British Weightlifting champion, demonstrates a super-effective 7-second exercise for building powerful biceps... using the new Bullworker with built-in powermeter.

Q. *What do those figures mean in visual terms?*

A. They mean that in as little as 14 days you can actually begin to *see* muscle growth in a mirror and *verify* it with a tape measure. Every week thereafter brings ever faster growth.

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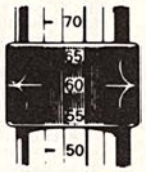

Q. *But to get such impressive results, don't you have to work very hard?*

A. Absolutely not. That's the outstanding advantage of Isometric training... it's so amazingly easy! Each "Static-power" Isometric exercise takes *only 7 seconds,* and you barely have to move. It's not even necessary to disrobe. The Bullworker is so light and compact, it can be used at home, in the office, anywhere... even while watching TV! It's a great improvement over bulky, expensive weights, bicycle machines, pulleys, etc.

Q. *Can Bullworker training even develop bodies which are weak and skinny, or fat and flabby?*

A. Definitely! It's been proven by thousands of men of every shape, size and age all over the world. Bullworker training helps transform weak, thin arms into rippling, muscular pillars of strength, build broad, powerful shoulders, turn flat, shallow chests into deep, manly ones, forge loose stomach flab into steel-hard, well-defined muscle... build that "V" shape of a real athlete, develop sturdy, contoured thighs and calves.... And all this in *record time!*

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Q. *How can our readers find out more about the Bullworker, perhaps actually try it for themselves?*

A. I understand that the Bullworker distributor in the USA is now making it available—free—on a two week home-trial basis in order to introduce it to the general public. If your readers are interested in developing their bodies, in building muscles and strength faster than ever before possible, I suggest that they contact the US distributor for full details.

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ACTION IN EUROPE

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Financially the show was not a success. A crowd of nearly 30,000—11,000 on the football field and another 19,000 in the stands, were lost in the Senyan Stadium capable of accommodating over 100,000. The privilege of witnessing Ali in action cost 8,000 rupahs ($2.50) to ringside at 27,500 rupahs ($65). Had TV sponsors paid more the promoters would have offered Lubbers $30,000 for exhibition bouts in Singapore, Klaula Lumpur and Saba.

A Japanese promoter hopes to match Lubbers with George Foreman for a world title in Tokyo. He won't go there as they still owe him a million.

Also in October Ali had two rounders with Alonzo Johnson and Tony Doyle in Surabaya. Here all records for exhibition bouts were broken when some 45,000 were in attendance. Promoters were in business with patrons paying from $2.50 to $25.

Perhaps the Lubbers-Ali bout should have been staged here! A supporting live bout on the programme saw Rudi Sirega, Indonesia, outpoint Benny Zwezerijnen over ten rounds.

Former European light heavyweight champion Rudiger Schmidtke, Germany, returned home complaining that he had been robbed. Manager Wolfgang Mueller brought home a film of the bout with Fourie which was later shown on television. Schmidtke flashed a copy of the Johannesburg "Sunday Times" with headlines in his favor, "YOU'RE FINISHED FOURIE".

Writer was Norman Canale who reported it was one of the worse decisions he has had the misfortune to witness.

"On my card (Canale) I had Schmidtke the winner by 5-3-2. The bell for round ten sounded twice. Fourie appeared to be still groggy and did not rise from his stool when the gong sounded. It was almost 35 seconds before his corner men got out of the ring and Fourie made his feet with the bell ringing out a second time.

"The South African went into a clinch immediately and stayed there."

The arena reverberated with boos from a section of the 20,000 crowd when the verdict was announced. The referee was Stan Christodouloa. This home town decision cost the German a world title bout with champion Bob Foster.

In San Remo, Elio Calcabrini, Italy, won the vacant European middleweight crown outpointing Britain's Bunny Sterling, over 15 rounds.

The European bantamweight title fight between champion Johnny Clark, and Salvatore Fabrizio, Italy, scheduled for London, was called off when the challenger was injured in training.

Calcabrini will now have to wait a while for Clark is booked for a world title fight with WBC champion, Rafael Herrera, Mexico, early in 1974.

Roger Monetrey, France, retained his European welterweight title narrowly, outpointing Spain's Jose Gonzalez Dopico, over 15 frames.

Bruno Arcari, Italy, making the eighth defense of his WBC junior welterweight crown, kayoed Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, in round five. The 5,000 crowd in the Copenhagen venue protested strongly claiming their local matador had been hit on the break.

This was 31-year-old Arcari's 49th consecutive win.

Hansen, now 30, joined the paid ranks in 1969 after having some 150 amateur duels. This was the Dane's 32nd bout with 27 wins, and five defeats. Arcari has won 59 of his 61 starts.

A Swedish correspondent, Sven Ekstrom, has been responsible for a campaign to get the International Olympic Committee to hand over a silver medal to Ingemar Johansson who was the Helsinki Olympic runner up in 1952.

Johansson was disqualified for not trying when he faced the American, Ed Sanders. The committee has rejected the plea to hand over the medal. At the same games, Stig Sjolin was disqualified against Floyd Patterson but still received a bronze medal after the officials reversed the decision to KO.

A rule for one and all does not apepar to be the policy of the Olympic Committee.

Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, (34) ex-world junior welterweight champion, has received an attractive offer to make a comeback.

Belgian, Jan de Keers, has announced his retirement.

German promoter Christian Schaath was 74 in October. Schaath with over 350 promotions to his credit, brought Archie Moore to Germany on May 1st, 1957 to fight German heavyweight champion, Hans Kalbfell.

ITALY

▲**Milan:** Flyweight Franco Udella outpointed Dominique Cesari, ten.

▲**Viareggio: Piero Ceru held on to his Italian welterweight title outpointing Giuseppe Minotti, twelve.**

SPAIN

▲**Madrid:** Jose Duran, Spain, junior middleweight champion, outscored Francis Vermandere, France, ten.

▲**Barcelona:** Junior lightweight Miguel Molleda outpointed Guillermo Perez, eight. Featherweight Daniel Rodriguez Figueroa outpointed Valentin Loren, eight.

▲**Santa Cruz:** Junior welterweight Juan Sombarita Albornoz beat Juan Pena TKO6.

FRANCE

▲**Soisson:** Lightweight Ray Dauteuille beat Franco Soro who was disqualified in round eight. Welterweight Roger Lobjois and Andre Sainseaux drew their six rounder.

▲**Paris:** Jean Claude Capitolin retained his French light heavyweight crown outpointing Christian Poncelet, twelve. Leonard Tavarez won the vacant French lightweight title beating Claude Thomais, TKO7. Middleweight Philippe Jacques outscored Eusekio Anani, eight. Lightweight Jean Baptiste Piedvache beat Paul Rourre, TKO7. Middleweight Radames Cabrera beat Ben Lachemi, KO1.

▲**Troyes:** William Poitrimol drew with Henri Caillez eight.

▲**Soissons:** Welterweight Robert Lobjois outpointed Claude Clerget, eight.

▲**Lyons:** Tahar Ben Hassen, Tunisia, beat Miguel Araujo, Brazil, KO2. Welterweight. Pascal Zito outpointed Frank Medina, eight. Lightweight Andre Holyk beat Jacques Martucci TKO2. Gilbert Orsaldo outpointed Jacques Mamane, six.

▲**Bethume:** Bantamweight Guy Caudron, France, beat Ferdinando Ripamonti, Italy, TKO7. Middleweight Shako Mamba beat Yannick Dufour, TKO4.

▲**Dunkirk:** Welterweight Jean Dercie beat Sylvain Luchesi, TKO5.

▲**Somain:** Welterweight Fernand Roelandts beat Carmelo Lazana TKO 4.

▲**St. Malo:** Welterweight Bernard Martin beat Mohamed Allem TKO4.

▲**Rheims:** Welterweight Jean Claude Genno outpointed Claude Clerget, eight.

▲**Chalons:** Welterweight Daniel Jacquin beat Daniel Brun, TKO3.

GERMANY

▲**Hamburg:** Hartmut Sasse won the vacant German heavy weight title kayoing Arno Prick in round eight. Junior welter Peter Scheibner, Germany, drew with Gray Ibekwe, Nigeria, 4. Heavyweight Ngozika Ekwelum, Nigeria, outscored Antonio Galvez, Spain six. Eckhard Dagge, German middleweight champion, outscored Maria Madrazo, over eight rounds. Heavyweight Bernd August, Germany, outpointed 37-year-old, Jose Echevarria, Spain, eight. The programme was presented by Fritz Gretzschel and a crowd of two thousand were in attendance.

▲**Cologne:** Light heavyweight Karl Heinz Klein won the vacant German title outpointing Conny Velensek, over twleve rounds. Light heavyweight Rudi Koopmans, Holland, beat Franklin Arindel, Holland, KO2. Junior middleweight Clement Tshinza, Congo outscored Randolph Hombach, Germany, eight. Heavyweight Gregorio Peralta, Agentine, beat John Griffin, USA, KO6. Lightweight Lothar Abend, Germany, beat Carlos Capella, Argentine, in round two when the visitor sustained a cut eyebrow.

▲**Berlin:** Middleweight Wolfgang Gans, Berlin, drew with Titi Labri, France, six. Ligh' heavyweight Rudi Koopmans, Holland, beat Jojo Miles, Ghana, TKO1. Heavyweight German, Hartmut Sasse suffered his first defeat losing on points to Avenamar Peralta, Agentine, eight. German middleweight champion, Eckhard Dagge beat Francis Vermandere, France, KO7. Heavyweight Bernd August outpointed Rocky Campbell, Britain, eight rounds.

HOLLAND

▲**Arnhem:** Junior middleweight Fighting Mack, Holland, beat Sreco Weiner, Yugoslavia, TKO5. Heavyweight Henny Thoonen beat Ireno Werlemann, TKO4. Sjoerd Tuininga outscored Salko Brkic, Yugoslavia, six. Light heavyweight Sjeng Verstappen beat Jose Maver, Yugoslavia, KO2.

BELGIUM

▲**Grivegnee:** Welterweight Jean Symos outscored Francois Condello, six.

▲**Zele:** Junior welterweight Jean Claude Lafarge beat Jean Van Torre, TKO3. Lightweight Rudi Haeck outscored Jean Claude Vandenbrecht, six.

▲**Aalter:** Junior welterweight Fernand Roelands beat Frank Meganck TKO3.

▲**Ghent:** Lightweight Rudi Haeck outpointed Christian Levy, six. Light heavyweight Freddy De Perpel outpointed Gilbert Monteyne, six.

▲**Eupen:** Heavyweight Christian Mossoux beat Erwin Joseph, KO3. Light heavyweight Armand Xhonncux outscored Tino Rimasti, six. Lightweight Jose Luis Carrera outscored Rolf Braun, six.

▲**Ghent:** Featherweight Michel Lefebre outpointed Rudi Haeck, eight. Giles Debert beat Werner Blanquaert, TKO5.

DENMARK

▲**Randers:** Tom Bogs, Denmark, outscored Britain Johnny Frankham, ten. Manager, Bobby Neill, felt that his boy had done enough to win and has since made an official protest. Junior light Sven Erik Paulsen, outscored Matt Thomas, six.

▲**Copenhagen:** Bruno Arcari, Italy, held on to his WBC light welterweight title beat Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, KO5. Crowd 5,000. Light heavyweight Britain, Johnny Frankham, beat Tom Jensen, Denmark, TKO5. Jensen picked up a badly cut left eye. Light heavyweight, Britain, Roy John lost on points to Tom Bogs, Denmark, ten. Welterweight Erkki Meronen, Finland, outpointed Britain, Mickey Laud over six rounds. Dane, Paoul Knudsen, beat Brendan Ingle, Ireland, TKO3.

FINLAND

▲**Helsinki:** Ellis Aski's 41st promotion attracted a crowd of 5,000 who saw Erik Nikkinen win again. This time he outpointed junior lightweight, Mario Sanna, over ten rounds. Rainer Sarnas, Finland, beat Franz Margarita, Aruba, KO2. Timo Ahola, Finland, beat Ireno Werleman, Holland, KO1. Raymond Patterson, Sweden, beat Timo Vartainen, Finland, TKO4. Junior middleweight Alf Qvarnstrom, Finland, beat Waldi Clare, Aruba, TKO3.

COPELAND WINS IN 8, ● JOPLIN REVIVES BOXING ●

By RON COPHER

JOPLIN, Mo. — Professional boxing returned here after an absence of over a year with two bouts.

The show was topped by local lightweight Johnny Copeland.

Copeland stopped Armando Rosales of Monterrey, Mexico, in 1:14 of the eighth round. Copeland is now 25-12. Rosales, now 24-4-1, never hit the canvas but was shaken in the second, third, fifth, sixth, seventh, and the eighth..

The bout was stopped with Copeland banging away at Rosales with both hands and Rosales making no effort to retaliate.

Also featured was a six round middleweight bout between P. D. Wade, of Galena, Kansas, and Robert Escalante, Ft. Worth.

Escalante, who was making his pro debut, took Wade's best shots which didn't seem to bother him. He hit Wade, who is now 2-5, at will during the last round and scored a unanimous decision.

BETULIO GONZALEZ BEATS ● CANTO FOR WBA TITLE ●

By CARLO INESADA

CARACAS, Venezuela — Betulio Gonzalez, who holds the WBA version of the world flyweight title, retained it with a TKO against Alberto Moreales. The fight was stopped in the eleventh round.

The winner weighed 110¾.

Betulio took the tile last August from Miguel Canto, of Mexico.

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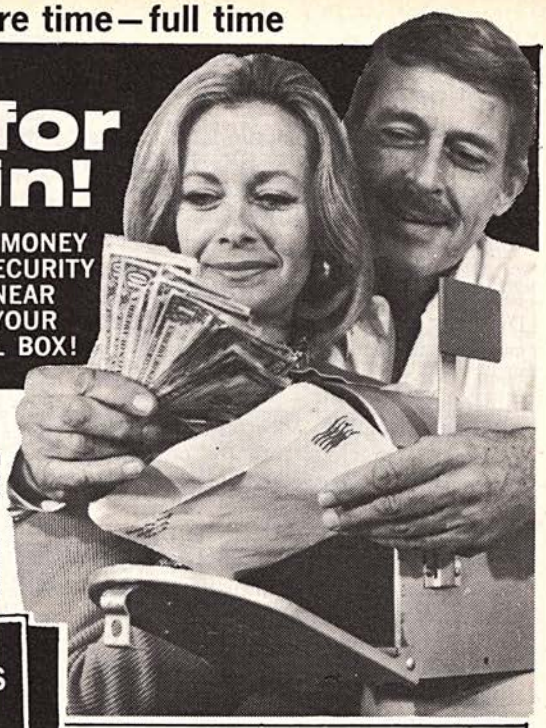

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THE BRITISH ISLES

(Continued from page 53)

Needham, especially in the later rounds, when he really cut loose. He is the official contender for Johnny Clark's British title, and this should prove an excellent contest.

Maurice Hope, Hackney, 158, made it four straight by stopping Arthur Winfield, Draycott, 160, in four. Winfield had a swelling under the right eye, and had been down twice, when the referree intervened.

Clive Hogben, Kettering, 124½, avenged a previous loss by outscoring Charlie Parvin, Glasgow, 121¾, over eight by 79-78.

Parvin's nose bled from Hogben's persistent southpaw right jab. Hogben has had a nose operation, and suffered no ill effects. A comfortable victory for Clive, who picked his punches well.

Charlie Small, Kings Cross, 160½, stopped John Lowe, Middlesbrough, 161¾, in five.

Cherokee Indian Small had his man down twice in the second round, was himself down in the fourth, then got up to floor Lowe twice more before the referee intervened.

Southpaw Dave Coombes, Northwich, 139, outscored Hugh Clark, Battersea, 140, by 59-58½, over six "twos."

▲**World Sporting Club, London** — Tim Wood, Leicester, 192½, comfortably outpointed Bill Drover, Canada, 203, over eight by 80-77.

Drover later told me he is now seriously considering retiring. "Boxing has enabled me to see places I would never otherwise have seen, but it may now be time to retire," said Bill. "I'll wait until I get back home again, and give the future some thought."

Bill was born in Scotland, and has been very popular in Britain, where he has boxed several times. He once drew with European champion Joe Bugner.

Wood was too young and sharp for Drover, and outboxed his man. Drover, as always, was willing to have a go, but in the main was too slow and ponderous.

Good use of a left jab, plus the following right whenever possible kept Wood well on top, and the former ABA heavyweight champion looks one of Britain's best young heavyweight prospects.

Billy Aird, Liverpool, 199, has boxed better, but can still count himself unlucky to get only a draw against American Jimmy Young, 197½, over eight.

An unspectacular bout, in which Aird would have done better to rely exclusively on his skill and keep it at long range. Instead, he allowed himself to be lured into close-quarter exchanges at which he didn't show up well.

Rocky Campbell, Antigua-born and Leicester-based, 189, caused a minor sensation by knocking out American Joe Batten, 186, in two rounds.

Batten, who had previously knocked out Eddie Neilson, came for a fight and he got one. Throwing hefty left hooks, he moved in and caught Rocky with one or two good punches in the opening session, but Campbell fought back well, and came into his own in the second, when he forced his man against the ropes, banged away with both hands, and eventually a right to the head but Batten down.

He fell with his right leg under him, and it was afterwards reported that he had fractured his right ankle. Be that as it may, it was a good punch and a good performance by Campbell, who has been struggling for recognition for several years.

Peter Brisland, Southampton, 174½, knocked out Danny Fontilio, Bermondsey, 171½, in the eighth and final round with a right to the chin.

Fontilio was floored in the fifth, but got up to forge ahead on points and looked a certain winner when he got careless.

Kenny Burrell, Worksop, 214½, loser of all nine previous bouts, got a draw with debutant David Fry, Bournemouth, 198½, over six "twos."

Fry's nose bled, but he banged away enthusiastically. Yet this time Burrell seemed unlucky not to get the verdict by means of his cleaner punching.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Kevin White, Wells, 148½, put up his best performance in drawing with former Central Area champion Les Pearson, Doncaster, 148½, over eight.

The decision was booed, and many thought White deserved to win. Kevin relied on all-out aggression against his more experienced opponent, but Pearson put in a good finish to add to his good start.

Jim Montague, Coventry, 141½, outscored Alan Salter, Peckham, over six by 59½-58½. Southpaw Montague did well, but Salter was aggressive, and was perhaps unlucky not to get a draw.

Mike Manley, Pontypool, 158½, outpointed Jim Devanney, Bradford, 154½, over six by 60-59. Southpaw Manley put his man down twice in the final session.

Dennis Harbon, Bradfore, 145½, outscored Glyn Watts, Llanelli, 139, over six "twos" by 59½-58½. Watts was floored in the second and lost his unbeaten record.

▲**Belle Vue, Manchester** — Jamaican-born Bunny Johnson, 184, knocked out Bradford southpaw Richard Dunn, 207¼ in the tenth round of their final eliminator for the British heavyweight title, and now qualifies to meet champion Danny McAlinden.

This show was in fact postponed three days by promoters Gus and Selwyn Demmy as McAlinden, due to top the bill against Mexican Mongol Ortiz, refused to accept any of the substitutes suggested when Ortiz had to undergo an operation for acute appendicitis.

Among those suggested were Eddie Duncan, Peter Freeman, Roy Williams, Raul Gorosito and Tim Wood. In the end it is understood that he accepted Gorosito, but by this time the latter could no longer be contacted.

So the show went on without Mac, and at a press conference some days later it was announced that having bought his contract back from Jack Solomons for £10,000, Danny would in future be managed by Sam Burns, who guided Terry Downes to the World middleweight title.

The Johnson-Dunn fracas was an exciting and hectic affair, and voted by all who saw it as one of the best heavyweight battles in Britain for some time.

Dunn was down three times, then just as it looked as if Johnson were certain of victory, back came the Bradford boxer to put Bunny on the canvas in the eighth.

With Johnson cut on the right eyebrow and on the lip, and both men tired, Dunn failed to push home his advantage in the ninth, and back came Bunny with a last-ditch rally. A right to the jaw, then a left to the head, and Dunn went down, holding his gloves over his right eye, to be counted out, as he was shouting, "I can't see. I can't see."

Both boxers had different versions of what actually happened. Dunn claimed he was stunned by a clash of heads, and that the follow-up left hand was in fact a thumb in the eye which blinded him. This Johnson strongly denied. "I had him going," said Bunny, "And the left hand produced the knockout."

One thing's for sure. McAlinden is going to have to look to his laurels. Johnson can box and he can punch. Bunny too had a new manager. This was his first fight under the guidance of George Francis, who also looks after British middleweight champion Bunny Sterling, and British, European and Commonwealth light-heavyweight champion John Conteh.

The Belle Vue promoters said afterwards that they lost a lot of money on the show, which some estimated at £5,000, but would be continuing to promote at this venue, having built up a lot of goodwill, and would be anxious to stage the McAlinden-Johnson title fight.

New British light-middleweight champion Larry Paul, Wolverhampton, 156, had his first bout since winning the title and found no difficulty in stopping Pat Brogan, Crewe, 164¾, in three rounds.

Brogan was down for two counts of eight before referee Wally Thom intervened. It was Paul's ninth bout as a pro. He has won them all, six inside the distance.

Maxie Smith, Stockton-on-Tees, 174½, outpointed Eddie Duncan, America, 177, over ten by 99½-97, but the verdict wasn't popular with everyone, and there was some booing.

It was Duncan's first defeat in Britain. He holds a victory over light-heavyweight champion John Conteh, and did well this time also, yet was inclined to box only in shorts bursts.

Smith, on the other hand, kept plugging away throughout, never missing an opportunity, and in spite of being handicapped by injuries to his left eye, his nose and mouth, kept attacking and forcing Duncan on the defensive.

Duncan impressed for three rounds, but Smith gradually took over, and was good value for his win, albeit the margin flattered him slightly.

Another verdict that was booed gave Alan Tottoh, Manchester, 146¼, only a draw against champion Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 146, over ten rounds in their Central Area welterweight title fight.

Thus Flynn retained his crown, bu Tottoh can count himself unlucky in an exciting encounter.

Both were warned for infringements in this hectic battle, but apart from the fifth and sixth Tottoh looked to be the more competent fighter.

The controversial verdicts continued when Barry Harris, Manchester, 128, outscored Mickey Piner, Camberley, 128, by 59½-58 over six.

Southern Area champion Piner did enough to win this one, in spite of a spirited display by Harris, having only his third bout.

George Davies, Manchester, 198½, beat John Celebanski, Bradford, who was disqualified for allegedly BITING his opponent after just 2min. 8sec. of the opening round.

They swung away merrily at each other, and two warnings were issued before Celebanski was ruled out.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, London** — Former British featherweight champion Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, 129, knocked out Billy Hardcastle, Liverpool, 131½, after only 1 minute 45 seconds of the first round.

Southpaw Revie, having his second comeback bout after nine months of inactivity, wasted no time, jabbing quickly with his right, following with his left cross, with the occasional uppercut for good measure.

A right to the chin, then another to the head, and down went Hardcastle with no chance of beating the count.

Fine debut by former ABA featherweight champion Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 132½, who drew over eight fast rounds with the more experienced George McKay, Edinburgh, 133.

Southpaw Wright threw punches from start to finish, McKay was only too willing to join issue and preferred to fight at close-quarters.

Understandably Wright tired in the later stages, but was good value for his draw.

After three years of inactivity, Frank Taberner, Blackpool, 121, stopped Ray Jenkins, Hendon, 118½, in two. Jenkins was down twice.

Danny McCafferty, Glasgow, 163¾, outscored Joe Gregory, Mitcham, 165, over eight "twos" by 80-77, and kept his unbeaten record.

An all-action affair, with both injured around the eyes, but neither letting up. McCafferty was the heavier puncher, and had his man going in the fourth, only for Gregory to rally well in the second half of the fight.

▲**20th Century Sporting Club, Southend** — Pat Dwyer, Liverpool, 159¾, kept his Central Area middleweight title by outpointing Brendan Ingle, Sheffield, 158½, over ten by 99½-95. Dwyer then caused a shock by announcing his retirement.

Ingle was floored four times, and warned for holding on as many occasions. But on the whole it was a disappointing affair.

A good right hand in the final session gave Ingle some hope, but Dwyer used his vast experience to keep out of trouble, and was a good winner.

Pat had over 50 bouts, and probably his greatest victory was a four-rounds win over Mark Rowe six years ago.

Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 148, confirmed a previous victory by outscoring Peter Blake, Southend, 148, over eight, by 79½-77½.

Simpson had a particularly good fifth, when a left hook had Blake in trouble, but the latter fought back well.

Substitute Pat Thompson, Islington, 176, outscored Lloyd Steward, Sheffield, 182, by 59½-59 over six. Good performance by Thompson, who took the bout at three hours' notice.

▲**St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow** — Fine prospect Jim Melrose, Glasgow, 141, kept his undefeated record by outscoring Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, over eight by 79-78.

Both are southpaws, but it turned out to be an excellent contest with plenty of excitement. Joyce was marked on the left eyebrow in the fourth, but made the most of his weight advantage, and boxed well at long range.

Melrose preferred to get in close, where he could pound away to the body, and keeping both hands working, deserved his victory.

Alan Buchanan, Edinburgh, 131½, knocked out George O'Neill, Wolverhampton, 133, in six with a right to the body. Both were aggressive in this crowd-pleaser.

Jim Gilmour, Kircudbright, 179, kayoed Barry Clough, Stoke, 180, in 65 seconds of the first round. A good performance for Gilmour in his first bout after an 18-month lay-off. A left hook to the body did the trick.

Ray Scott, Liverpool, 126, drew with Al Hutcheon, Glasgow, 125, over six "twos." When they met before Scott won on points, and might have got the verdict this time.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club London** — Southern Area middleweight champion Kevin

Finnegan, Hayes, the leading contender for the British crown, stopped Bob Murphy, Hampstead, in four rounds.

Both were inside the stipulated 163 pounds.

Murphy turned pro in Australia after emigrating from Britain, and revealed grit and determination. But Finnegan had the skills and the punching power.

As time went on, it became clear that Finnegan was getting further and further ahead. He had no trouble with his opponent's southpaw stance, and landed at will with well-placed shots to head and body.

With Murphy being forced around the ring, and doing little in reply, the bout was stopped.

Mike Cottingham, Lymington, 174, was fortunate to beat Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 185, the bout being stopped in the sixth when Armstrong got a cut above the left eye.

Armstrong used his superior weight to good effect, and looked well ahead when the stoppage came.

Joey Anastacio, Liverpool, 136, beat Steve Gaze, Bournemouth, 136½, who was another victim of an eye injury. Gaze was doing well until his left eyebrow was cut, and the referee intervened in the second.

Charlie Richardson, Liverpool, 161, outscored Alan Bursey, Bournemouth, 160, over six "twos" by 59½-59. Plenty of punches were thrown on both sides but plenty missed. Out of those that did land Richardson provided the most. Skill — very little. Honest endeavor — a lot.

▲**Royal Albert Hall, London** — For the second time in six weeks Johnny Clark, Walworth, 115½, outpointed Japan's Hiro Hamada, 119, this time by 99½-97 over ten. Last time the margin was by only half a point.

British bantam champion Clark was to have defended his European crown against Italy's Salvatore Fabrizio, but the latter had to withdraw through injury. Hamada was a late substitute.

Clark won convincingly enough, but sustained a cut by the left eye, and a swelling under the right eye. Hamada was cut by the left eye in the closing stages.

Clark jabbed accurately throughout, produced some good combination punching and Hamada was the winner of only one round. Yet the Japanese fighter put up stubborn resistance, and fought back well when under pressure.

John H. Stracey, Bethnal Green, 147½, British welterweight champion, had little difficulty in disposing of Urban Baptiste, Trinidad, 148½, the bout being stopped in the fourth.

Even the guidance of manager George Gainford couldn't help Baptiste, who tended to his with the inside of the glove, being warned accordingly.

Stracey was in command from the first bell, shaking his man with a left to the head in the opening round, keeping his man on the defensive with right to the body, and all Baptiste could do was throw a few long swings which were mainly off target.

Baptiste tried hard to stay in the fight, but it couldn't last, and in the fourth Stracey knocked out his opponent's gumshield, followed with a left and right to the head, and Baptiste just wasn't fighting back any more.

Referee Harry Gibbs quickly intervened, at precisely the right moment.

Jan Magdiarz, Eastleigh, 161, beat Alan Minter, Crawley, 159, the bout being stopped in the third after Minter had sustained a cut on the right eyelid.

Hard luck on Minter, who was outboxing his opponent and providing far too fast and elusive. This was only Alan's second defeat as a pro, both times on an eye injury when he was clearly ahead.

Southpaw Minter had opened up much faster than usual, and looked impressive when the bout was prematurely halted.

Billy Williams, West Ham, 175, outscored Dave Parris, Tottenham, 186, over eight "twos" by 80-76½. Over-eagerness caused Williams to miss frequently, and there were several warnings, with Parris receiving a final censure in the seventh.

Substitute Parris succeeded in going the distance. but Williams was a good winner. The latter turned pro in the United States, but is now back in Britain permanently.

John L. Gardner, Hackney, 205½, stopped Sid Paddock, Southampton, 193½, in three, to chalk up his second pro win, both inside schedule.

Paddock was game enough, but Gardner used his superior weight and heavier punching to good effect, and with Paddock taking ten punches without reply the referee intervened.

After a hard, close fight Peter Cain, Notting Hill, 160½, outpointed southpaw Clive Collins, Cardiff, 161, and kept his unbeaten record. Score 59½-58 after six.

Cain clinched matters in the final round, but Collins put up a good fight and some fans booed the verdict.

▲**Manor Place Baths, London** — Reviving boxing at this popular venue, promoter Paddy Byrne started with one of the most exciting fights seen in the capital city for some time, in which Tony Bagshaw, Hull. 150½, knocked out Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 148 in the fourth.

Bagshaw was floored in the second, but came back to deck his man three times before delivering the coup de grace.

Nobbins were showered into the ring by enthusiastic fans as Bagshaw finished the fight with a right to the jaw. It was Hardiman's first defeat as a pro, after winning his previous seven, all inside schedule.

Ian "Broncho" Ramage, Islington, 118, made an impressive debut by knocking out Peter Huitt, Alfreton, 114, in three, after flooring him in the second.

Pat Thompson, Islington, 176, outscored Alex Pernasky, Derby, 175, over eight "twos" by 80-77. Thompson jabbed his was to victory over a plucky, but wild opponent.

Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 146, outpointed Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 143½. over six "twos" by 59½-58½, in an all-action bout.

Graham Murphy, Merthyr, 140½, boxed in determined fashion to outpoint Hugh Clark, Battersea, 143, over eight "twos" by 79½-78½.

Mick Hussey, Islington, 160, stopped Alan Brusey, Bournemouth, 161½, in four, the latter having being down four times.

▲**Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham** — Southern Area welter champion Des Morrison, Bedford, 141, drew with Kevin White, Wells, 148¾, over eight rounds in a bout that won't be remembered for long.

Morrison had advantages in height and reach, but didn't use them, and the bout was mainly conducted at close quarters with too much clinching.

Morrison was cut under the right eye in the third.

Tony Poole, Kettering, 148½, outscored Keith Nugent, Stoke, 149, over eight by 79½-77½, in a bout that the spectators enjoyed. Poole attacked from start to finish, and Nugent contributed by fighting back as well as he could.

George Salmon, Halifax, 149, outpointed Dennis Harbon, Bradford, 147½, over six by 59½-58, but Harbon was lucky to escape a knockout, being floored in the final seconds by a right to the jaw.

As the count reached four the last bell sounded, but it is doubtbul if Harbon could have got up in time.

▲**North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke** — Mario Stango, Bedford, 127, stopped Jim McAuley, Belfast, 126 in three. These southpaws fought it out evenly until Stango had his man down in the second, and McAuley was rescued by referee Frank Parkes in the following session.

Don Burgin, Shotton, 138½, drew with Freddie McMillan, Glasgow, 139½, over eight.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 148, outscored Bob Langley, Aldershot, 149, over eight by 79-77½.

Paddy McAleese, Bedford, 142, Beat Young Martin, Durham, 140, who retired with a broken right hand at the end of the third.

Oscar Angus, Aylesbury, 162, outpointed Henry Cooper, Galsgow, 160, by 59-58½ over six.

▲**Liverpool Stadium** — Dave Davies, Bangor, 157½, returned to the ring after a seven-month lay-off to knock out Ronnie Hough, Liverpool, 160, in the seventh.

A great fight, punch for punch, with Davies lasting the pace better and weakening his man to set him up for the final punch. Hough afterwards announced his retirement from the ring.

Central Area light-welter champion Joey Singleton, Kirkby, 136, kept his unbeaten record by outscoring Jimmy Fairweather, Jamaica, 140, over ten by 100-96½.

Singleton didn't lose a round, and punched and moved too fast for his opponent, who was always trying to find openings for his hooks.

Tony Bryne, Kirkby, 161¾, stopped Dave Nelson, Wolverhampton, 161, in seven after decking him earlier in the round.

Tony Cunningham, Bootle, 138, outpointed Paul Bromley, 135½, by 79½-78½ over eight, to improve on the draw verdict he got against Bromley eight months earlier.

Dave Coombes, Northwich, 141, chalked up his second victory in nine days when he outpointed debutant Dave Dunn, Manchester, 140, over six by 60-58.

Mickey Walker, Nottingham, 158, outscored Brian Barlow, Manchester, 160, by 59½-59 over six in a crowd-pleaser.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, Southend** — Billy Taylor, West Ham, 138½, outpointed Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 139, by 79-77½, over eight in spite of unaccountably easing up in the middle rounds.

But Taylor's good boxing in the first half of the fight was enough to see him through.

George Lewis, Earlsfield, outpointed Joe Gregory, Mitcham, over six "twos" of a light-heavyweight bout. When they met before Gregory won on points. This time the score was 59-58½, and Gregory did well to keep in the fight after sustaining a swelling by his left eye.

Making his pro debut, Lloyd Gardner, Acton, 163½, did well to draw with Batman Austin, Tottenham, 163, over six "twos." a fair verdict.

▲**Premier Ring Sporting Club, London** — Pat Thompson, Islington, 176, stopped Lloyd Steward, Sheffield, 180, in the eighth and final session, and for them second time in successive shows at this venue nobbins greeted the top-liner.

Stewart, born in Jamaica, showed up well early on, and his left jabs and hooks had Thompson a little apprehensive.

But Stewart was a substitute, and substitutes understandably find they cannot last the pace too well. So as Thompson increased the pressure, Stewart found it more difficult ot punch with him.

In the seventh Stewart was down, although Thompson was had a graze under the left eye he wouldn't let Stewart rest, and was hitting him freely without reply when the referee intervened.

Mick Hussey, Islington, 160, looked to be behind on points when he brought over a left hook that knocked out Clive Collins, Llantwit Major, 160½, in the fourth.

Guest of Honour Willie Pep later presented Hussey with a trophy, donated by Commercial Union Assurance, for the most impressive performance of the night.

Southpaws Charlie Wallace, Ghana, 138, and Alan Jones, Merthyr, 141, drew over six "twos."

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Trevor Francis, Basingstoke, 154, gave weight to experienced Tom Bell, Grenada, 164, and convincingly outpointed him over eight by 80-73½.

Substitute Bell, in action after 18 months' layoff, did as well as he might have been expected to do. At 32 he has met the best, but it's not the age to make a successful comeback.

Francis did most of the forcing, with the ringwise Bell bobbing and weaving, and managing to keep out of trouble.

Tony Blackburn, Cardiff, 184½, comfortably outpointed John Celebanski, Bradford, 188, over six by 60-57½. Blackburn left-jabbed and right-crossed throughout, and impressed in only his second pro bout.

Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 143, reversed a points defeat a week earlier by outscoring Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 146, by 60-58½ over six.

▲**Civic Hall, Wolverhampton** — It was easy for new British light-middleweight champion Larry Paul, Wolverhampton, 154½, who outpointed Frank Youhg, Belfast, 157½, over ten by 100-94½, a colossal margin, in this non-title fight.

Paul boxed beautifully, especially with his accurate left jab, and Young was cut over the left eye in the second, which didn't completely yield to treatment.

Young was gradually worn down by Paul's aggression and stamina, and his face showed the marks of battle.

Paul was content to box his way to victory; and it was the first occasion on which he had been called upon to go ten rounds. He looked good doing so.

Featherweight contenders Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, 128½, and Jimmy Bell, Kilmarnock, 128¼, drew over eight. This seemed fair.

Southpaw Bell did well early on with his right jabs, and showed plenty of aggression, but in the second half Crooks came into his own with left jabs and a lot of effort to level matters.

Steve Foley, Bedford, 178, outpointed Billy Baggott, Wolverhampton, 179, over six by 59-58½. It was close as their previous meeting, which ended in a draw.

Johnny Jennings, Brimingham, 145, stopped Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 145, in the eighth and final round because of an eye injury. Jennings was decked in the seventh, but there was little in it all through.

Substitute Paddy McAleese, Bedford, 140, outscored debutant Rober Aldis, Doncaster, 140, over six "twos" by 59-58½.

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Tony Ventura, 210, Lockport, K.O.d Henry Lawson, 178, Brooklyn, in the third. Lawson was not a worthy opponent for Ventura.

King John Jackson, 205, Buffalo, was knocked off by Keven Isaacs, 200, New York, in one minute 19 sec.

Don Rucker, 160, Buffalo, stopped Al Sewell, 160, New York, in the fourth.

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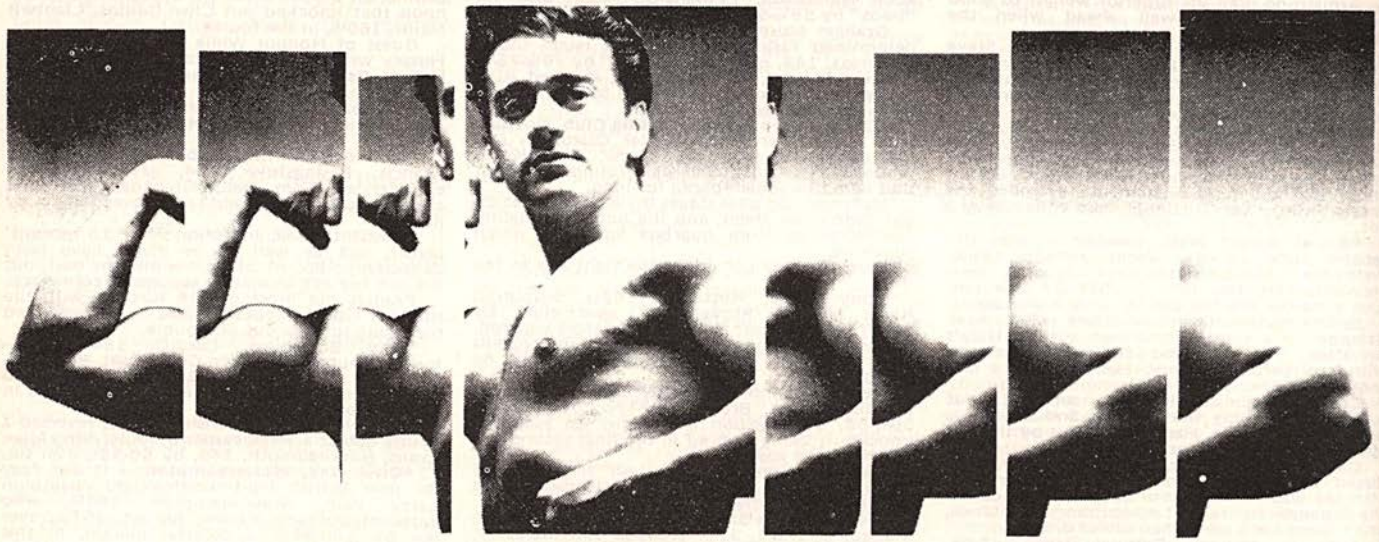

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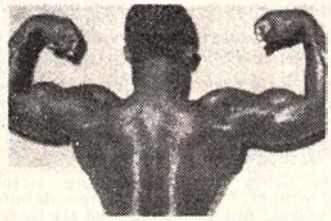

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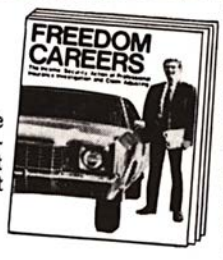

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